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# THE CARROLL NEWS

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## JCU rejoices with the election of Pope Francis

Katie Warner  
Staff Reporter

Catholics around the world waited with bated breath as white smoke poured from the Sistine Chapel last Wednesday afternoon. St. Peter's Square in Vatican City flooded with people and news stations hoping to witness this historical event in the church's history. Across the globe, people were glued to their TV screens for the next hour as they anticipated the name of the person who was to be the new leader of their church.

Little did they know how historical the announcement that followed the cascade of white smoke would be; on Wednesday, March 13, a little more than 24 hours after conclave had begun, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina emerged on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica as Pope Francis.

The reaction across John Carroll University's campus was one of excitement, as students, faculty and staff watched the news unfold. Senior theology and religious studies major Jillian Dunn was among a number of students gathered in the Campus Ministry Conference Room as the announcement was made.

"When the white smoke came, it was so thrilling," she said. "To be in community with the students gathered and watching it together was moving. It was one of those days you were proud to be Catholic and proud of the church to be moving in this new trajectory."


This particular election to the papacy was stunning, as Bergoglio was not anticipated as a frontrunner going into the election; he was 76, and many cardinals were looking for a younger candidate not older than 70. The National Catholic Reporter interviewed Chicago Cardinal Francis George, who said, "I think it all came together in an extraordinary fashion. I believe the Holy Spirit makes clear which way we should go. And we went that way very quickly."

But his age isn't the only thing that shocked Catholics worldwide. Pope Francis will be the first Jesuit elected as pontiff as well as the first-ever Latin American pope. The Rev. James Martin, S.J., a Jesuit priest and author, commented, "The best way to sum up Jesuit spirituality may be the shorthand 'finding God in all things.' We're also encouraged to be 'contemplatives in action,' and we're meant to be available, free enough to go wherever we are most needed."

JCU President, the Rev. Robert Niehoff, S.J., echoed this sentiment as he celebrated the Pope's election at Mass held in St. Francis Chapel Thursday afternoon. In his homily, Niehoff said, "We celebrate the new pope, and we celebrate his experience, but we celebrate most of all that he has experienced the spiritual exercises and the call of the Gospel; that's our call too."

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*Pope Francis*



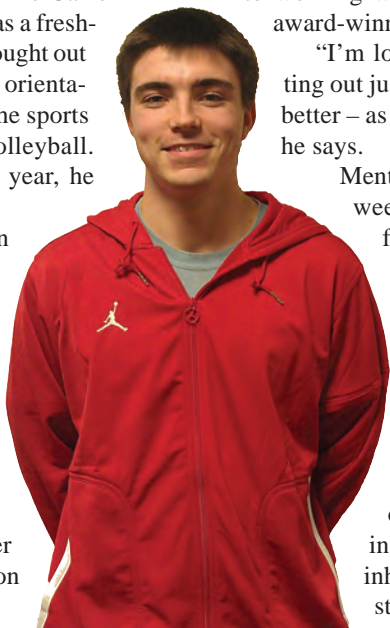
Full name: Jorge Mario Bergoglio  
Born on Dec. 17, 1936 (Age 76) in Buenos Aires, Argentina  
266th pope in the Catholic Church  
Ordained a priest in 1969  
Became archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1998  
Became a cardinal in 2001  
Served as head of the Society of Jesus in Argentina from 1973-1979

## The Carroll News tabs Mentz as new editor in chief

Junior Zach Mentz was elected as the editor in chief of The Carroll News by the staff at a meeting on March 15. He will begin his duties on April 11.

Mentz began writing for The Carroll News when he came to JCU as a freshman in the fall of 2010. He sought out the opportunity at freshman orientation and started writing for the sports section, covering mostly volleyball. At the end of his freshman year, he became Sports editor.

Mentz is a communication major hoping to eventually launch a career in sports journalism. He recently completed an internship with the Rochester Red Wings, a minor league baseball team in Rochester, N.Y., and is set to do the same internship this summer. He is also a staff writer for the JCU Sports Information department.



Recently, Mentz received two awards from the Society of Professional Journalists in the Sports Writing and In-Depth Reporting categories.

As editor in chief, Mentz is looking forward to working with his staff and continuing the award-winning quality of the paper.

"I'm looking forward to hopefully putting out just as good of a newspaper – if not better – as we have been putting out lately," he says.

Mentz also said that his goals include weekly improvement, and striving for each issue to look better than the last.

Current Editor in Chief Dan Cooney said, "The great sports coverage you see every week is because of Zach Mentz. He is a very talented journalist who will be a fantastic editor in chief. I'm excited for the future of The Carroll News because it is in Zach's very capable hands. He inherits an incredibly hardworking staff of editors and writers."

## Communication department develops new programs

Karly Kovac  
Staff Reporter

The faculty of the Tim Russert Department of Communication and Theatre Arts have been hard at work establishing new opportunities for communication students. The new master's program in health communication and the new theatre minor to be offered to students will contribute to a growing curriculum, offering more opportunities to students at JCU.

Alan R. Stephenson, a professor in the communication department since 1985 with a history in broadcasting and cable for 23 years, said, "Since communication is always changing and growing in so many directions, we are obliged to be alert to what's going on in the field and enforce those changes here at John Carroll."

Jennifer Catellier, an assistant communication professor, is the main contributor in the content development of the new master's program. Catellier was recently published in the New York Daily News for her research on mood and exercise. Mary Beadle, the communication department chair and one of the developers of the program, said that hiring Catellier was a part of the recognition that "we must move into this area of health communications, living in a community where the hospitals, insurance companies and health field is really growing."

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## Campus Briefs

### Register for Danie’s Day in memory of Danielle Rose

On Saturday, April 13, The Arrupe Scholar Program and Sigma Phi Epsilon are sponsoring Danie’s Day, in collaboration with The Up Side of Downs, a support group for those who have a loved one with Downs Syndrome. The event, formerly known as Project HOPE, is in memory of Danielle Rose, an Arrupe Scholar and member of class of 2015.

During the event, students will be paired with students and adults with special needs to participate in crafts, karaoke, games and other activities.

The Up Side of Downs will provide a training session at 10 a.m. in the O’Dea Room, and guests will arrive at 11 a.m. Lunch will be provided.

Students must register by Wednesday, March 27. For more information, email [daniesday@jcu.edu](mailto:daniesday@jcu.edu).

### JCU ranks 10th in pass rates on CPA exam

John Carroll University ranked 10th out of 260 medium-sized institutions in overall pass rates for first-time sitters during the 2012 Uniform CPA Examination.

The information was released in February 2013 by The National Association of State Boards of Accountancy in the “Uniform CPA Examination Candidate Performance Book” and the “School Performance Book.”

NASBA is a forum for the nation’s Boards of Accountancy and has been collecting data about CPA examination candidates since 1982.

### JCU names Title IX coordinator

Lauren Bowen, associate academic vice president for student initiatives and diversity, was announced as the Title IX coordinator for John Carroll University on Monday, March 18.

Title IX is included in the Education Amendments of 1972 and states, “No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.”

Bowen will ensure that the University remains in compliance with these provisions by ensuring proper training for campus constituencies. Concerns about sexual discrimination in the educational arena should be reported to her at [bowen@jcu.edu](mailto:bowen@jcu.edu) or (216) 397-4374.

# Meet your 2012-2013 Beaudry Award Finalists:

The Beaudry Award is the only student award given at Commencement. Graduating seniors will be able to vote on Monday, April 8 and Tuesday, April 9 at the JCU Grad Fair in the LSC Conference Room from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The award is based on the candidates’ excellence in all of the following areas: leadership activities, commitment to Christian values, academic achievement and service to the University and/or civic community.

#### William Cook



**Majors:** Political science and French  
**Involvement:** Vice President for Student Organizations, Senator for the Class of 2013, chairman of the Student Organizations Budget Board, Community Affairs Committee chairman, president and captain of the rugby team, secretary of Alpha Sigma Nu, president of the French National Honor Society, treasurer of the French Club  
**Service:** We the People program, Labre Project, student coordinator for the Appalachia immersion trip to West Virginia

#### Major: Biology

**Involvement:** Arrupe Scholar, resident assistant, publicity chair for the Christian Life Community Board, Jesuit Day of Service leader, Admission’s Speaker Bureau member, organizer of Lil’ Sibs Weekend with a refugee child  
**Service:** Quantum Leap mentor, US Together volunteer, South Pointe and Huron Hospital volunteer, Goodrich Gannet volunteer, Make a Difference Day volunteer, Cultivating Community Day leader, Chicago immersion trip, Footprints for Fatima Food Drive committee member, volunteer in Virginia at a drug rehabilitation clinic and Remote Area Medicine

#### Lauren Gunderman



#### Jillian Dunn



**Major:** Theology and religious studies      **Minor:** Catholic studies  
**Involvement:** President of Labre Project, leader of immersion experiences to New Orleans, Ecuador, and Nicaragua, Arrupe Scholar, president of Alpha Sigma Nu, Honors Program member  
**Service:** Hunger Banquet volunteer, Living Aids Ribbon volunteer, Footprints for Fatima volunteer, Fatima Food Drive volunteer, hosted of the Cleveland Foodbank’s “The Poverty Simulation,” YouthAbility volunteer, worker at the Center for Faith Justice

#### Major: Political science

#### Minors: Entrepreneurship and Economics

**Involvement:** President and Member Educator of Beta Theta Pi, Manresa 20 retreat leadership team member, Streak Week retreat leader, SWAT leader, The Carroll News staff writer and assistant Campus editor, varsity track and field athlete, Homecoming court nominee  
**Service:** Boler Community Day participant, Labre Project, immersion experiences to Ecuador and Immokalee, Fla., Relay for Life participant, Through the Eyes of a Child participant, student coordinator for We the People, Admissions Office volunteer, Landerhaven blood drive volunteer, Milestones Autism Organization volunteer

#### John Jackson



#### Katherine Warner



**Major:** Communication      **Minor:** Political science  
**Involvement:** Manresa retreat leader and co-leader, resident assistant in Campion and Murphy halls, president of Seeds of Hope, CLC leader, admissions student speaker board participant, SWAT leader, Lambda Pi Eta member  
**Service:** Service learning experiences in Ecuador and Guatemala, Habitat for Humanity participant, participant in Habitat for Humanity service trip in South Carolina, Through the Eyes of a Child volunteer, the Hunger Banquet participant, Footprints for Fatima participant

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Beadle also said, “When Dr. Catellier did the research, [she found that] there is no other school in the area that is doing this particular focus on health communication. We are filling a gap for the community.”

The first class being offered, The Ethics and Law of Health Communication, will be taught by Mary-Michelle Coleman, a JCU alumni who currently teaches the Media Law class at the University.

Catellier urged that with a pragmatic curriculum, there will be diverse opportunities in needed jobs for JCU students.

“If anyone is considering anything health-related, regardless of your major, this isn’t something that is specific to communications majors” she said. “If you did something else as an undergraduate, and this is an area that you are interested in working in, business, IT, nursing and psychology are all majors would be well suited for a graduate course work in health communications.”

The new year-and-a-half-long master’s program will offer one class in the fall, one in the spring and another the following fall. A class for the summer is also in the works.

This new master’s program track in health communication will offer such courses as Ethics and Law of Health Communication, Topics in Health Communication, Health Campaigns and Communication in Health Settings.

In the theatre realm, several courses have existed as an integral part of a general communications minor, but this is the first time that the courses will count as a minor specifically in theatre. Karen Gygli, associate professor of theatre, highlighted that not only is Cleveland currently the second-largest theatre district in the United States next to Broadway, but like the health field, theatre plays a contributing role in a diverse spectrum of occupations in the area.

Gygli noted that in addition, there are several social awareness programs through PlayhouseSquare, hospitals and businesses that use theatre to advertise social interactive workshops and performances in communities. With these aspects in mind, Gygli feels that through public relations, marketing and education, a minor in theatre will “create an aspect [that] can add a dimension to the student to make him or her stand out in the competitive job market.”

## Campus Safety Log



#### March 13, 2013

Theft reported in the Boler School of Business at 1:29 p.m.

#### March 15, 2013

Criminal mischief reported in Murphy Hall at 10:30 a.m.

#### March 16, 2013

Offenses concerning underage persons and alcohol reported in Pacelli Hall at 12:01 p.m.  
Offenses concerning underage persons and alcohol reported in Pacelli Hall at 2:20 a.m.  
Criminal mischief reported in Murphy Hall at 3:30 a.m.

*These incidents are taken from the files of Campus Safety Services, located in the lower level of the Lombardo Student Center. For more information, contact x1615.*



# Follow up: Forum sheds light on proposed core curriculum changes

**Abigail Rings**  
Assistant Campus Editor

One of the most fundamental parts of a JCU education – the core curriculum – could undergo some significant changes in the near future. An open forum was held last Tuesday, March 12 to discuss plans for proposed changes to the core. Gwendolyn Compton-Engle, director of the core curriculum, answered questions and explained exactly what the proposal to change the core consists of.

The new core would apply to students entering JCU in the fall of 2015, but the proposal has not yet been approved by the faculty, and there is no guarantee if it will be accepted or rejected. Compton-Engle noted that “everything is hypothetical” at this point; however, she did say that the committee working on the core and JCU should have a definite answer within the next couple of months.

She explained that the process to change the core started a few years ago, and the Curriculum Working Group started work in January of 2011. They looked at the cores of other institutions and other Jesuit schools and also sought input from the faculty and the Student Union.

Sophomore Brianna Lazarchik, Student Union’s vice president for communications, was the chair of the Committee on Academics last year, and she and her committee worked with Compton-Engle to create the academic survey that went out to all students in April of 2012.

Lazarchik said the survey covered academic advising, First Year Seminar and the core curriculum. She said, “Because the goals of our committee were related to such large issues, we felt that a survey of the entire student body was the most effective way to be a voice for the students.”

The results of the survey revealed that while the majority of students thought that the current version of the core was effective, it needed changes. There was an overwhelming response by the student body to change the Division V requirements, especially in regards to having fewer philosophy courses required.

Compton-Engle explained, “The survey conducted by the Student Union last spring really helped to confirm for us that many of the issues that our committee was discussing – for example, the addition of a creative arts component or the desire for greater flexibility in the core – are also of concern to students.”

After gathering all of the data, the Curriculum Working Group gave a report in October 2012 that recommended significant changes to the core, more specifically, reducing the credit hours required to graduate from 128 to 120.

The more intricate changes to the curriculum would be: a reduced core, from 57 credit hours to 40-49 hours; a different structure – the divisions would be eliminated and they would be renamed “foundational competencies,” encouraging students to finish them early in their college career; integrating the core more effectively into specific majors; no lab class requirement; changes to the foreign language requirements; reducing the number of philosophy courses from three to two; no First Year Seminar; Speech Communication (CO 100) will become a three-credit course; finally, “linked courses” would be added.

These linked courses would be two classes in the same subject matter but grounded in different departments. There will be pre-set pairs of courses, including some in the “Exploring the Natural World” and the “Examining the Human Experience” sections. Students would be required to take a pair of linked courses from each of these sections. This is still a work in progress, and nothing has been decided with the way the linked classes are going to work.

The linked courses will be taking the place of the FYS courses, Compton-Engle explained. “In the proposed new curriculum we are retaining that focus on interdisciplinary learning, but moving it to a later point in the student’s college career, after she or he has further developed some essential skill,” she said. “For faculty, the linked courses offer an advantage over FYS because they allow faculty members to teach in their own departments and areas of specialization.”

The language requirements are going to change in the pro-

posed new core as well. For example, if a student places into a 300-level course from their language test before entering JCU, they place out of the language requirement. If a student places into a 200-level course, they will only have to take one language course, a 201 course. Finally, if a student places into a 100-level course, they will have to take three courses if they are continuing their language from high school or two classes if it is a different language.

Compton-Engle noted that this new core would make it easier for students to graduate in four years – they will not have to take summer classes, it will be easier to double major or add a minor and easier to study abroad. Compton-Engle also said that the way students are advised will have to change. In addition, they want to change the “get it all over by sophomore year” mentality and encourage students to spread out the core.

Some concern was raised that the current core allows undecided majors to find their way because of the amount of credits required. Compton-Engle said that while the proposed core does have fewer credits, it still covers the different disciplines. Additionally, the fewer credits will allow students to change their mind easily and make their schedules more flexible.

While changes to the core curriculum are still being discussed and have yet to be voted on by the faculty, Compton-Engle said she is hopeful that there will be a positive reaction and acceptance of the proposal: “Major curricular change is challenging and often controversial, not just at John Carroll, but at any institution that attempts it. Faculty members care deeply about the subjects they teach, and there can be entrenched interests at stake,” she said. “But I think the proposal offers an exciting, forward-looking vision of Jesuit education that can revitalize not just the student experience, but the faculty experience as well.”

Lazarchik said, “I think, overall, the reduced size of the core curriculum will make a huge difference to students. It will give them more time to intuitively explore areas of interest as well as eliminate some stress, which more ambitious students sometimes feel about graduating early.”

# Restaurant familiar to John Carroll community closes its doors

**Jackie Mitchell**  
Assistant Campus Editor

North Park Grille, a long-standing restaurant on John Carroll Boulevard, served its final meal on Saturday, March 16.

The first public announcement of the closing was posted on the restaurant’s Facebook page on Tuesday, March 12, just days before it closed. “I was waiting,” said owner Mark Reich. “I didn’t want to have a lot of stuff coming down because of it. The University and I knew what we were doing a little bit before that, but we decided to post it to the public on Tuesday, because a lot of people have been here throughout the years.”

The farewell stated, “We’ve had great times with friends, enjoyed making new acquaintances and serving our neighborhood. It is with great sadness that we announce our closure. Our last day serving you, our friends, will be Saturday, March 16. We hope you will stop by before then to say hello and wish our staff well as they depart for new opportunities. It has been a pleasure to be part of your lives, and we wish you all the best.”

Junior Gina Torek said, “I’m really sad to see it closing. It’s a place I’ve been going to since my freshman year when it was the Brew ’N Bistro. I never had a meal there I didn’t like, whether it was the buffalo mac or their grilled cheese and tomato soup.”

The restaurant first opened in 1994 as an Arabica Coffee House. Over the years, the restaurant experienced several makeovers. When competition among coffeehouses arose, Arabica combined with Cleveland chain Cafe 56 to offer more options. The restaurant eventually obtained a liquor license and began serving beer and wine. It was also known as the Brew ’N Bistro for some time.

In its final renovation, the restaurant evolved into North Park Grille, a hybrid between a coffeehouse during the day and fine dining at night.

“At 5:00, we started putting the dining room up, and we decorated the place so that it was a nice sit-down restaurant, brought a chef in, fabulous food and fabulous servers,” explained Reich.

However, Reich said that many customers failed to realize that North Park Grille was more than just a coffee house. “See, at 5:00 this whole place changes. The lighting goes down, the tablecloths go on the table, the shades all come down. It’s like a whole different place,” he said. “But a lot of people during lunch just didn’t realize that. And with the local competition going on, it was getting tougher and tougher. With Cedar Center opening, that’s adding another 11 or 12 restaurants right there to compete with. And we were actually fine dining at night, and that’s a big competition when you’re a local fine dining operation,” he said.

He explained, “People’s cultures have changed a lot about how and when they eat. Sit-down eating isn’t as big as it used to be. On-the-go, drive-through fast food is the big thing today, so it’s hard to compete with that.”

The number of John Carroll students and faculty dining at North Park Grille was severely lacking,

according to Reich. “With all the businesses that are here, I wouldn’t venture past the idea that only 20 percent of the business is students, and 80 percent never come near here ... The students should [have] come here more because this is what they’ve got real close by,” he said.

However, Reich credits John Carroll University with reaching out and aiding the restaurant. He said, “The University has been there all along, trying to help us – helping with building and remodeling now and then – and did everything to help us that they can. And then they finally got the plan going for the patio, which will be open in the summer, and those patios will make a huge difference because now ... this location and Pizzazz will be able to serve alcohol on the patio.”

“I think that’s going to be a destination place again ... It’ll be a place for people to come and relax and not worry so much and really just sit back. I wish I could stick around for it, but we pushed about as far as we can push and what we could do. But it’s going to be stunning. It really is,” he said.

According to Reich, hundreds of members of the community stopped by during the restaurant’s final week to express their sadness about the closing.

“I’ve got to say we’ve probably [served] over a million people since we’ve been here. A lot of them still come back. A lot of them come back after graduating or going on to a job. They’ll come back and say, ‘Oh, thank God you’re still here.’ Most of them still believe it’s a coffee house. A lot of them still call it Arabica. This hasn’t been Arabica since 2001. But it was their home.”

“I’m really upset it’s closing,” said junior Lauren Cafarell. “My friends and I loved going there for dinner, and it was also a great place to study.”



North Park Grille served some of its last customers before closing this past Saturday, March 16.

CAMPUS CALENDAR : MARCH 21 – MARCH 27													
21	Thursday	22	Friday	23	Saturday	24	Sunday	25	Monday	26	Tuesday	27	Wednesday
“A Mercy to All the Worlds: How Muslims Have Viewed the Prophet Muhammad over the Centuries” at 7 p.m. in Donahue Auditorium.		A Night at the Races in the LSC Atrium from 8:30 to 11 p.m.		Soul Meets Salsa, sponsored by LASA, at 8 p.m. in the Dolan Center for Science and Technology.		US Together Super Sunday Event from 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on campus.		“A Poetic Call for Peace in Palestine” with Philip Metres from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Market Garden Brewery in Ohio City.		Tuohy Lecture Series presents: “The Original End-Times: Enoch, Daniel, Ezra, John” at 7:30 p.m. in Donahue Auditorium.		Enjoy your Easter Break!	



# Cast of ‘Admission’ talks with The Carroll News

The CN sits down with stars Tina Fey, Paul Rudd, young actor Nat Wolff and Academy Award-nominee director Paul Weisz

–Interview by Mitch Quataert



Photo from focusfeaturespress.com

**“Admission,” starring Tina Fey and Paul Rudd, gives an inside look at the admissions process for college and the issues that come with both sides.**

**The Carroll News:** “Admission” toes a line between drama and comedy. What are some of the challenges that arise from playing between those?

**Paul Rudd:** Certainly when you are working on something like this, I tend to not delineate between the two too much. Comedy can be an effective means of conveying something dramatic and so it’s more about the editing and from a directorial point of view about a balance between the two. Life is funny and life is dramatic, and those tend to be my favorite kind of stories – then again I tend to like really broad comedies and really serious dramas – so I don’t focus on it too much.

**Tina Fey:** You sort of just want to tell the story that is at hand, and this one is kind of just human and heart-felt, and you just try to play it as realistically as possible. There are moments of humor in it, and you certainly wouldn’t want to go back and add people falling down the stairs or anything. You just try to play the tone that seems to be presenting itself from the page.

**Paul Weitz:** The big thing, whether it be a drama or a comedy, is that the actors or characters don’t know they are being funny in any good comedy and the people going through the deep, wrenching pathos don’t know they are being dramatic. The most fun thing is seeing a character emerge, and the one thing you have to do is have actors who are capable of walking that line and not stumbling around like a drunk so the moment the movie is cast you are either in decent shape or you aren’t.

**CN:** You have all done TV and film now, and I was wondering how your transitions went?

**PR:** SNL is a blast. I’ve hosted twice, and each time I come back thinking, How do they do that every week? It’s like running an Iron Man competition. The adrenaline you feel because it is live – but it moves so quickly, and it’s incredible.

**TF:** It’s definitely nice to be able to do both, because if you do a movie and you say, “OK I did that part, I didn’t mess up,” then every time you see it, it will be the same. But if it is something with live TV, then there is a little bit of a thrill knowing that you might mess up.

**CN:** The film focused on the stress of getting into college, but the stress that soon follows is what to do after college. Do you have any advice of what to do after graduation, especially if you want to go into film and TV?

**TF:** Well, the only advice I feel qualified to give is for people who are interested in comedy, and I usually tell them to not go to LA right away. I feel like if you go to Chicago or plenty of places in NYC and Boston where you can be on your feet more and do more stuff, even if you are a writer. It gives you a chance before you throw yourself whole-heartedly into the whole business end of the show business.



Photos from focusfeaturespress.com  
**Fey and Rudd prove to entertain as the comedic-duo starring in “Admission” as an admissions officer for Princeton University and a teacher at an alternative high school called New Quest, respectively.**

**CN:** There are a lot of misconceptions about the college admissions process; how did doing the film change your idea of how getting in to an Ivy League school is like?

**PW:** Well, I personally don’t think it’s where you go to college, it’s about who you come across while you’re there, whether it be a community college or a top-ranked school. You can come out of a great school having being undereducated in the most important things in your life, or you can go to community college and be really affected by somebody. My one bit of advice would be to be your own judge; you know whether you worked hard or not. In terms of this [movie], I really like that these characters are in this structure and they fall out of it as it goes on. Tina’s character is part of the structure, and she has developed this whole life for herself where she doesn’t have to deal with certain emotional things. And Paul’s character comes from Dartmouth and has rejected it, so I really like that from the get go this movie is analyzing that question critically.



Photo from focusfeaturespress.com  
**Academy Award-nominee director Paul Weitz and young actor Nat Wolff discuss a scene on the set of “Admission.”**

**CN:** Were there any particular favorite scenes you did when shooting on the Princeton campus?

**TF:** My favorite scene that we shot on campus was with the a capella group. That’s the scene where I’m in tears and running through, and they are singing their wonderfully sunny, collegiate a capella song. And actually, they sounded so good that we kept letting them finish the song every take even though the take was over.

**CN:** One of the things in the movie that is so true and brings back a lot of memories is just the details, are you a legacy student, do you have a safety school? One thing I wanted to ask the panel is if it brought back any warm or stinging memories of your admission process?

**TF:** This is how old I am – when I was reading the script I said, “Wait there are three parts to the SAT now?”

**PR:** I never took the SAT, but I took the ACT. I never applied to colleges, I didn’t go through all of this. I was going to go to an art-school, but I knew that wasn’t going to happen, so I went to the University of Kansas. I must have filled out a form, because I was registered in the class. Then I decided to study theater when I was there, and I applied and auditioned for that.

**PW:** My high school used to send home report cards in the mail, and I had a deal going with the doorman in my building – I grew up in Manhattan – and he would save the report cards before my parents could get it, and I would do some other stuff for him. After he saved them, he would give them to me, and I would rip off a card if I hadn’t done well in the class, and my parents would never know, and anything with a minus, I would change to a plus. So my parents had a very inflated sense of what my grades were going into the college application process.

**Nat Wolff:** I was actually going through it when we were filming the movie. I remember Tina announcing my SAT scores to the crew. But yeah, it was interesting to be doing a movie and going through school. But I was way more excited about the movie than I was about college.

## Entertainment Calendar

Check out what’s happening in Cleveland this week!

**3.21**  
**The Saw Doctors**  
House of Blues  
8 p.m.  
\$20

**3.22**  
**Winter Jam 2013**  
The Wolstein Center  
7 p.m.  
\$10

**3.23**  
**I-X Indoor Amusement Park**  
I-X Center  
3 p.m.  
\$19

**3.24**  
**Swan Lake**  
Cedar Lee Theatre  
11 a.m.  
\$20



## Cleveland International Film Festival set to launch

**Alexandra Higl**  
Arts & Life Editor

Calling all patrons of the arts and college students looking for something to fill their spare time. A film fanatic's fantasy is fast-approaching. The 37th Cleveland International Film Festival, sponsored in part by Dollar Bank and a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, is set to launch its 12-day screening on April 3.

The Cleveland International Film festival began as an eight-week film premier in 1977 at Cedar Lee Theatre in Cleveland Heights. After its initial success, the festival was condensed into a shorter time span, serving as the chance to premier internationally acclaimed films in between New York and Chicago's festivals.

The Cleveland International Film Festival is set to unveil around 150 feature films and 130 short subject films from over 60 countries in eight different theaters at Tower City Cinemas from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The films range from comedies to dramas, some grappling with global issues, others providing lighthearted entertainment. Many of the films were produced on low budgets by locally known talent, while others hail from countries such as Nepal, Germany and Japan.

In recent years, CIFF has promoted films that bring social justice issues to light. Topics have included feminist activism, environmental issues, Jewish and Israeli visions, local heroes and LGBTQA rights. The festival also

highlights family-friendly films, providing a light-hearted option for film-goers.

"The Cleveland International Film Festival promotes artistically and culturally significant film arts through education and exhibition to enrich the life of the community," according to its website. "In other words, we present the newest and best films from around the world, and we do everything in our power to make sure that our audience learns something along the way – about other cultures, about the topic at hand, about the experience from the filmmakers themselves."

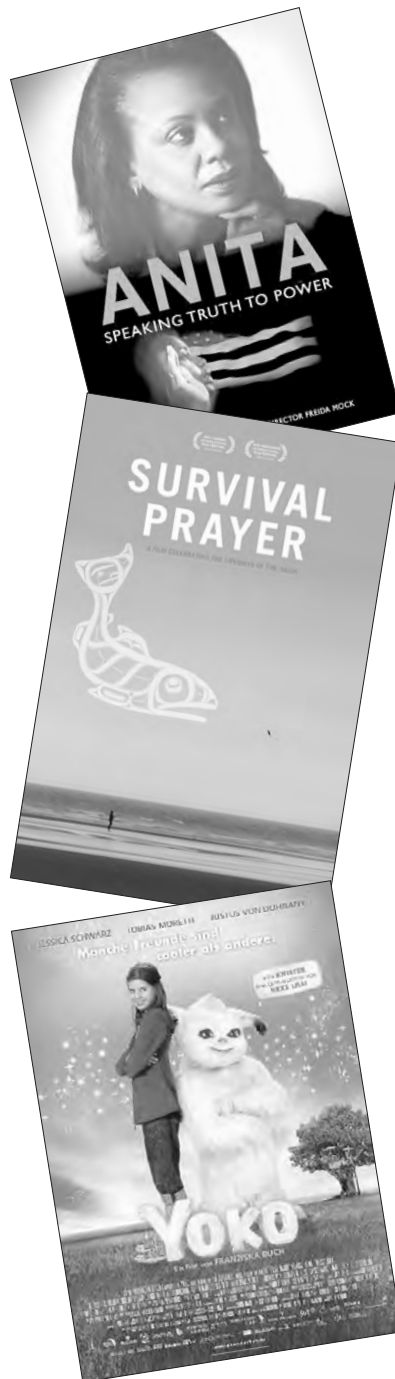
Last year, CIFF racked in 85,018 attendees and hopes to surpass this number during the upcoming festival by offering promotional days targeting specific audiences.

On Tuesday, April 9, college students with a current ID will be able to attend the festival for free. On other days, students will be able to receive a \$2 discount on admission. John Carroll students can use the code "JCU" when purchasing tickets online.

CIFF will also be offering satellite screenings during the evening at the Capitol Theatre, Shaker Square Cinemas, The Apollo Theatre and The Cedar Lee Theatre.

Tickets will go on sale March 22 and can be purchased online; by calling (877) 304-3456; or in person at Ulmer & Berne Film Festival Box Office, located in the lobby of Tower City Cinemas.

More information about CIFF can be found at [www.clevelandfilm.org](http://www.clevelandfilm.org).



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## Pick-Up Lines of the Week

**"Can I have directions? [To where?] To your heart."**

**"Excuse me, but I think I dropped something – MY JAW!"**

**"Hello. Are you taking any applications for a boy/girlfriend?"**

**Have a pick-up line you'd like to share with us? Submit it to [ahigl15@jcu.edu](mailto:ahigl15@jcu.edu).**

## Dakaboom: the duo that has it all

### COMEDY REVIEW

#### "Dakaboom"



**Alexis McNichol**  
The Carroll News

Dakaboom is a hilariously engaging vaudeville act that performed as part of SUPB's Thursday Night Live open mic series. The comedy duo, Ben McLain and Paul Peglar, sent the Lombardo Student Center Atrium into fits of laughter. Featuring wonderful musical talent and flirtatious attitudes, the act was rounded off by the quality of comedy throughout the set.

Starting off with the tune of the famous Journey hit "Don't Stop Believing," Peglar and McClain decided to change the first set of lyrics to, "Just ... no," rusing to do the rest of the song. Each song was an original mix of jokes and great vocal contributions. Throughout the set, they told their story about how they were best friends since meeting at Maria Carillo High School in Northern California. Songs that required musical talent like "Maria" from "West Side Story" were featured, except the name was "Dora" and JCU sophomore Dora Bomberger was called up and serenaded onstage. One



Photos by Zak Zippert and Alexis McNichol

of the most amusing songs was the "FAQs of Dakaboom," where they covered the questions that are always asked at shows: "What was Peglar's biggest influence? Peer pressure. McClain's day job? A singing waiter at a pizzeria. Are they single? Yes." Hopping off the piano, Peglar joined McClain in a beatbox cover of "Never Had a Friend Like Me," from Aladdin.

Other funny moments included Peglar's "attempt" at stand up, during which McClain pushed him into performing for the JCU students. After a few puns and short jokes, which the crowd did laugh at, McClain's insisting that Peglar wasn't funny caused Peglar

to leave the stage angry. McClain created an entire song with a loop pedal and his voice, creating the percussion.

He then sang lyrics over it about being a bat. It was a creative, comedic song that blended his voice together perfectly. Peglar came back and featured a perfect falsetto. The duo finished their set with a song featuring 50 TV show theme songs in five minutes.

Describing themselves as post-modern vaudeville, Dakaboom incorporated fantastic musical ability and comedy, as well as sketch acting. More information on Dakaboom can be found at [www.thedakaboom.com](http://www.thedakaboom.com) or [www.facebook.com/thedakaboom](http://www.facebook.com/thedakaboom).

## Fast Food goes healthy

**Madeline Smanik**  
The Carroll News

Chicken, beef or tofu? Strange as it sounds, these may soon be the choices you see in chain restaurants around the country.

Recently, various fast food chains have introduced both vegetarian and vegan options to their menus. Chipotle has begun to offer tofu at a few of their San Francisco locations. Although they won't release specific data, it appears the feedback to the new option has been positive.

Chipotle's tofu-stuffed burritos, called "sofritas," have received praise not only from vegetarians but from so-called carnivores as well. What was originally targeted toward those with dietary restrictions seem to be appealing to a wider range of consumers.

Even McDonald's appears to be embracing the health-food trend. Starting in April, the fast food chain will add egg-white McMuffins to their breakfast menu. McDonald's Chief Executive Don Thompson said, "We think we do have a menu that is fairly balanced; we can continue to do more, and we will."

Also adding healthier items to its kitchen is California Pizza Kitchen. CPK is now serving Brussels sprouts-topped pizza as well as a salad with roasted beets.

Along with well-known national chains, smaller restaurants may start offering healthy fast food. Roushan Christofellis, a resident of Arizona, opened a drive-thru

called "Salad and Go" this past February. Christofellis and her husband were motivated to start a restaurant that offered healthy food after witnessing their own parents' health struggles.

Their restaurant joins the ranks of pre-existing healthy fast food places such as Saladworks and Pita Pit. These changes to stereotypically unhealthy fast food restaurants could prove to be beneficial for both the chains and the consumers.

In theory, the chains will make more profit by appealing to a larger population of customers. Vegans and vegetarians will benefit from more restaurants providing options that match their limited diets. Meat-eaters will have even more selections to choose from.

If this trend continues, healthy food could become easily accessible even to those with busy schedules that only allow for a quick stop at a drive-thru. As Christofellis says, "Food matters."

Information in this article was taken from The East Valley Tribune, Yahoo! and NASDAQ.



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## Cup of Joe


**Joe Ginley**  
 Assistant Sports Editor  
**A March to remember**

While many spent St. Patrick's Day having a few brews or partying downtown at the parade, I sat captivated in front of the television. Not known as an exciting month until Selection Sunday, March has been truly mad from the start.

To begin with, the college basketball season has been excellent. The degree of parity in sport is refreshing. For the first year in a long while, no team stands out as a clear-cut favorite in the NCAA Tournament. As someone who has followed the Big Ten extensively, through my coverage of Ohio State and Michigan State, I have no idea who will be cutting down the nets in Atlanta in April. So many teams could ride a hot streak to the Final Four. As many Buckeyes fans know, Ohio State could either find secondary scoring and advance all the way to the Final Four or flounder offensively and get bounced early. Many other teams are in the same situation, which will make for an exciting March.

The NFL has experienced some excitement lately, as well. Last Monday's free agent frenzy generated buzz rarely seen before, as ESPN and NFL Network had non-stop coverage of the bonanza. Potential rule changes, such as banning running backs from leading with their helmet, have also attracted attention, as they threaten to take away some of the sport's enticing aggression. But the NFL has certainly not lost its spot as the most-followed sport in the United States.

Many thought that hockey would take a hit following a lockout that shortened the season to 48 games. But the game is stronger than ever. The Chicago Blackhawks' 24-game point streak captivated audiences across North America, as fans waited to see who would take down the vaunted 'Hawks (the Avalanche would claim the honor). The return of proud franchises to playoff contention, such as the Toronto Maple Leafs and the Montreal Canadiens, promises a thrilling postseason. Though my Washington Capitals have nearly fallen out of the race, I have enjoyed watching the sport grow this season.

And finally, America's game: baseball. MLB has been overshadowed by the other happenings in the sports world, but baseball will be back in the conversation come April. The Cleveland Indians have already been the subject of much talk in Cleveland. The Tribe is finally a contender, thanks to additions such as Nick Swisher and Michael Bourne. Fans are certainly excited: Tickets for the team's home opener on April 8 against the Yankees sold out in six minutes.

Rare is the month that holds as much excitement as the current one. As amazing as March has been thus far, the best is just ahead. So buckle up, sports fans, and enjoy the ride.

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# Blue Streaks baseball goes 2-1, improves to 10-4 overall

## JCU earns pair of road victories over Dominican University, falters against Wabash

**Zach Mentz**  
Sports Editor

The John Carroll University baseball team has become accustomed to life away from home, and considering each of their first 22 games this season takes place on the road, the Blue Streaks have had to learn how to win all over again.

The Blue and Gold continued their early season road trip this past weekend, traveling to Indiana and losing to Wabash College, 5-1, before sweeping two games against Dominican University, winning 6-5 and 4-0, respectively.

The Blue Streaks opened the weekend against Wabash College on Saturday, March 16 and struggled to find their groove offensively. In the bottom of the fourth inning, Wabash broke open a scoreless tie, as defensive miscues and a clutch triple gave the host Little Giants a 4-0 lead through four innings. From there, the Blue Streaks could only respond with one run in the top of the eighth inning, eventually losing the game 5-1. Sophomore Mark Huddle went 2-4 at the plate, and freshman Aaron Lapaglia tossed four innings of one-run ball, striking out two batters along the way.

Following the loss to Wabash, the Blue Streaks rebounded with a win over Dominican later that same day.

JCU jumped out to an early 1-0 lead following an RBI single from sophomore David Lykens, allow-

ing sophomore Bobby Sabatino to score in the bottom of the first. The following inning, the Blue Streaks tacked on another run as a sacrifice fly from senior Connor Marrero allowed senior Ryan Konsler to score from third base, increasing JCU's lead to 2-0.

The Stars responded in the top of the third inning, firing back with three runs of their own to claim a 3-2 lead.

Trailing by one, the Blue Streaks didn't respond until the bottom of the fifth inning. Lykens collected another single as he grounded out to first base, allowing senior Joe Veltri to score from third base and tying the game at three. Junior Mitch Herringshaw advanced to second on the play and Sabatino advanced to third, putting two runners in scoring position for junior Jimmy Spagna. Spagna delivered on his opportunity, smacking a single to right-center field to score Sabatino from third and give JCU a 4-3 lead through five



Photos courtesy of JCU Sports Information

**Second baseman Bobby Sabatino had a stellar weekend, helped JCU snag a couple of big early season wins.**

innings. The score remained the same until the top of the ninth inning, when Dominican reclaimed the lead with a two-run single, giving the Stars a 5-4 lead. Trailing by one in the bottom of the ninth, the Blue Streaks had their backs against the wall. With Herringshaw on first base and Sabatino on third, Lykens again stepped to the plate with a chance to rake in yet another RBI. Fortunately for JCU, the sophomore again rose to the occasion as he grounded out to second base, allowing Sabatino to score and tie the game at five, thus forcing extra innings.

Three innings later, in the bottom of the 12th inning, junior Chet Lauer ripped an RBI single to left field, scoring freshman Robby Cifelli and giving the Blue Streaks a 6-5 win in extra innings.

The following day, on Sunday, March 17, the Blue Streaks didn't need quite as much drama to defeat the Stars. JCU used four separate

one-run innings to pull off a 4-0 win. Sophomore Andrew Doring stifled the Stars' offense, pitching six shutout innings while striking out six batters as well. With two wins in three games, the Blue Streaks improved to 10-4 overall, despite all of those games taking place on the road.

"We've kind of gotten used to the long road trips, and once we get on the field, we don't even focus on home or away," said Herringshaw.

With 12 of their final 18 games taking place at home this season, the Blue Streaks know that if they can survive life on the road early in the season, the future will be much brighter.

"We expected to have a very solid team this year, and we know that we don't have that many holes [as a team]," added Herringshaw. We believe this start is something we can continue through the rest of the season."

### Upcoming Softball Schedule

**March 23 @ Ohio Northern University at 1:00, 3:30**

**March 24 @ Wittenberg at 1:00, 3:30**

**March 26 @ Hiram at 3:30, 5:30**

**March 29 vs. Capital at 1:00, 3:30, Broadcast on WJCU-2**

**April 4 @ Denison at 3:30, 5:30**

# JCU Track and Field squads impressive in North Carolina

**Men's Track and Field**  
**Haley Turner**  
The Carroll News

The first meet of the outdoor season proved to be a great starting point for the men's track and field team. The men traveled to sunny Charlotte, N.C. for the UNC-Charlotte 49ers Classic. Despite being a Division III school, the Blue Streaks held their own against some very talented Division I and II universities from across the country. Senior Mike Minjock competed in the long jump, placing 10th with a distance of seven meters. Throwers Anthony Chizmadia, junior, and Rocky Mitolo, sophomore, contributed by placing eighth (47-08.00) and



Photo courtesy of JCU Sports Information

**Senior Will Rial led the charge for the Blue Streaks in North Carolina.**

ninth (47-05.25), respectively, in the shot put. Assistant Coach Kyle Basista said, "Mitolo had a very promising start, setting personal bests in shot, discus and hammer."

Senior Will Rial earned the highest individual place, getting third in

his first 3,000-meter steeplechase of the season, with a time of 9:38.74. Sophomore John Cameron also ran a great race, achieving a personal best of 4:03.98 in the 1,500-meter run, which is 5.5 seconds faster than his previous time. The standout race of the meet was the men's 5,000-meter run, where the distance men worked together as a pack.

Senior Pat Burns ran a personal best of 15:11.04. Following shortly after was a large group of Blue Streaks, led by sophomore Johnny Honkala who dropped over 20 seconds off his personal best with a time of 15:19.25. Freshman Pat O'Brien (15:20.37) was next, followed by freshman Matt Chojnacki (15:21.49), senior Nick Wojtasik (15:23.20) and sophomore Tadhg Karski (15:24.60). In the heat directly after, freshman Andrew Snyder ran the race of his life, dropping over a minute off his personal best with a time of 15:56.32.

"For the first competition in three weeks, the guys came out looking very strong. They are motivated and fired up after finishing a program best second-place finish at indoor OACs," said Basista.

JCU sprinters also had a successful weekend, as sophomore Nick Williams fared well in both hurdle events.

Williams was 10th in the prelims of the 110-meter hurdles, with a time of 15.36. In the 400-meter hurdles, Williams missed making finals by only one spot, placing ninth, with a time of 56.09. Basista said, "If [Williams] can stay healthy,

then he is a national contender in both races."

The men's 4x100-meter relay team, comprised of Minjock, senior Bill Zaccardelli, Williams and sophomore Nick D'Amico, were eighth overall with a time of 43.06. Finishing ninth with a time of 3:22.94 was the 4x400-meter relay team made up of freshman Mike Hydzik, D'Amico, senior Anthony Colbert and Williams. D'Amico made his mark by running an incredible split of 48.9 in the relay.

The men will travel to New Concord, Ohio on Saturday to compete in the Muskingum University invite.

**Women's Track and Field**

**Zach Mentz**  
Sports Editor

After an indoor track and field season that consisted of three separate top-three finishes, the JCU women's outdoor track and field team had momentum under their feet to begin the spring season.

The Blue Streaks traveled to Charlotte, N.C. this past weekend to compete in the annual 49er Classic, hosted by UNC-Charlotte. While the event was unscored, the Blue and Gold used the meet as preparation for the upcoming outdoor season.

Sophomore Emily Mapes led the way for the Blue Streaks, as she finished in second place in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, with a final time of 10:53.15. Teammate and sophomore Jenny Vrobel also claimed 10th in the same event, finishing with a time of 12:05.13.

Junior Nicki Bohrer competed in the 1,500-meter run, finishing 45th in the event versus competitors from the likes of Clemson University and the University of Pittsburgh.

In the 5,000-meter run, four individual Blue Streaks took home top 50 finishes. Senior Katherine Spillman led the way for JCU, finishing 26th with a time of 18:32.62. Juniors Taylor Whisler (30th), Caroline Kapela (41st) and Alyssa Singer (45th) also fared well in the event for the Blue Streaks.

With the 49er Classic now behind them, the Blue Streaks will look ahead to this coming weekend. The Blue and Gold travel to New Concord, Ohio on Saturday, March 23 to compete in the Muskingum Invite, hosted by Muskingum University.

### The Carroll News interviewed Jim Tressel



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For the full story on the former Ohio State coach's visit to campus on March 14, check out [jcunews.com](http://jcunews.com)



# Now presenting: The Carroll News Celebrity Bracket Challenge

The yearly ritual of filling out brackets began with Selection Sunday on March 17. Featuring a number of potential Cinderella teams and no clear-cut favorite, this year's NCAA Tournament promises an exciting, mad March. In response, The Carroll News

decided to hold its first-ever Celebrity Bracket Challenge. Featuring many well-known campus figures, the competition will grant the winner the opportunity to defend his or her title in next year's bracket challenge. The winner will be determined by a point system

outlined in a graphic below. Readers can keep track of the standings by following @JoeGinley or @TheCarrollNews on Twitter, or by checking jcunews.com for updates. Without further ado, allow us to introduce this year's competitors.

Scoring System

1st round correct pick: 2 points

2nd round: 4 points

Sweet Sixteen: 8 points

Elite Eight: 16 points

Final Four: 32 points

National Championship: 64 points



**Missy Spahar**  
**Status:** Women's basketball player  
**Major first round upset:**  
#14 Harvard over #3 New Mexico  
**Big upset pick:**  
#6 Butler over #2 Miami  
**Final Four:**  
#2 Duke, #2 Ohio State  
#1 Kansas, #1 Indiana,  
**National Championship:**  
#1 Kansas over #2 Duke



**Mike Moran**  
**Status:** Men's basketball head coach  
**Major first round upset:**  
#11 Minnesota over #6 UCLA  
**Big upset pick:**  
#5 Wisconsin over #1 Gonzaga  
**Final Four:**  
#2 Louisville, #3 New Mexico  
#1 Kansas, #1 Indiana  
**National Championship:**  
#1 Indiana over #1 Louisville



**Howard Regal**  
**Status:** Station Manager of WJCU-FM  
**Major first round upset:**  
#11 St. Mary's over #6 Memphis  
**Big upset pick(s):**  
#8 Pitt over #1 Gonzaga  
#5 VCU over #1 Kansas  
**Final Four:**  
#4 St. Louis, #2 Ohio State  
#2 Georgetown, #3 Marquette  
**National Championship:**  
#2 Ohio State over #2 Georgetown



**Dan Cooney**  
**Status:** Editor in Chief  
**Major first round upset:**  
#11 Minnesota over #6 UCLA  
**Big upset pick:**  
#5 Wisconsin over #3 New Mexico  
**Final Four:**  
#1 Louisville, #5 Wisconsin  
#2 Georgetown, #1 Indiana  
**National Championship:**  
#1 Louisville over #2 Georgetown



**Fat Chris**  
**Status:** Famous Caf Worker/Rapper  
**Major first round upset:**  
#10 Oklahoma over #7 San Diego State  
**Big upset pick:**  
#12 California over #4 Syracuse  
**Final Four:**  
#2 Duke, #2 Ohio State  
#1 Kansas, #1 Indiana,  
**National Championship:**  
#1 Kansas over #2 Duke



**Chris Wenzler**  
**Status:** Sports Information Director  
**Major first round upset:**  
#11 Belmont over #6 Arizona  
**Big upset pick:**  
#4 St. Louis over #1 Louisville  
**Final Four:**  
#4 St. Louis, #5 Wisconsin  
#1 Kansas, #2 Miami  
**National Championship:**  
#1 Kansas over #4 St. Louis



**Tom Arth**  
**Status:** Football head coach  
**Major first round upset:**  
#12 California over #5 UNLV  
**Big upset pick:**  
#7 Creighton over #3 Michigan State  
**Final Four:**  
#4 St. Louis, #1 Gonzaga  
#2 Georgetown, #3 Marquette  
**National Championship:**  
#2 Georgetown over #1 Gonzaga



**Spencer German**  
**Status:** Campus Editor  
**Major first round upset:**  
#12 Oregon over #5 Oklahoma State  
**Big upset pick:**  
#5 Wisconsin over #1 Gonzaga  
**Final Four:**  
#2 Duke, #2 Ohio State  
#1 Kansas, #2 Miami  
**National Championship:**  
#2 Miami over #2 Duke



**Alyse Viggiano**  
**Status:** Student Manager of The Cubby  
**Major first round upset:**  
#14 Valparaiso over #3 Michigan State  
**Big Upset Pick:**  
#9 Villanova over #1 Kansas  
**Final Four:**  
#1 Louisville, #8 Pittsburgh  
#2 Georgetown, #4 Syracuse  
**National Championship:**  
#2 Georgetown over #1 Louisville



**Brendan Gulick**  
**Status:** WJCU-FM Sports broadcaster  
**Major first round upset:**  
#13 South Dakota State over #4 Michigan  
**Big upset pick:**  
#5 VCU over #1 Kansas  
**Final Four:**  
#1 Louisville, #2 Ohio State  
#5 VCU, #1 Indiana  
**National Championship:**  
#1 Indiana over #1 Louisville

## STREAKS OF THE WEEK



### Baseball

Bobby Sabatino  
sophomore

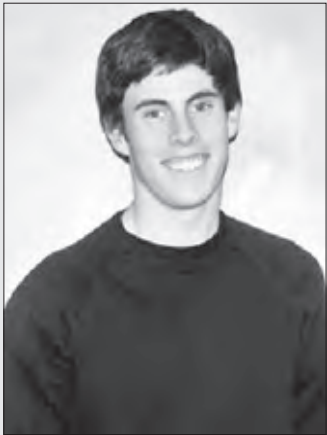
The sophomore second baseman helped the Blue Streaks sweep a doubleheader against Dominican University over the weekend. Sabatino went 2-6 with a triple and three runs scored on Saturday, and 2-4 with an RBI on Sunday.



### Baseball

Andrew Doring  
sophomore

Doring was dominant on the mound for the Blue and Gold on St. Patrick's Day. The sophomore hurler pitched six scoreless innings in a 4-0 victory over Dominican, allowing only three hits while striking out six.



### Tennis

Ryan Mullaney  
senior

The senior performed well for JCU on Saturday in a 6-3 loss to Oberlin College. Mullaney easily disposed of Charlie Marks in singles play (6-0, 6-3) before pairing with junior Sean Graham to defeat a duo of Yeomen, 8-6.



### Track & Field

Will Rial  
senior

The savvy senior captured a third-place finish in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the unscored 2013 UNC-Charlotte 49ers Classic on Friday. Rial boasted a solid time of 9:38.74 in the event. Rial's outlook for this season is bright.



### Track & Field

Emily Mapes  
sophomore

The 2012 Track and Field All-American started off the season well in Charlotte, N.C. over the weekend. Mapes snagged second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase on Friday, finishing the event in 10:53.15.



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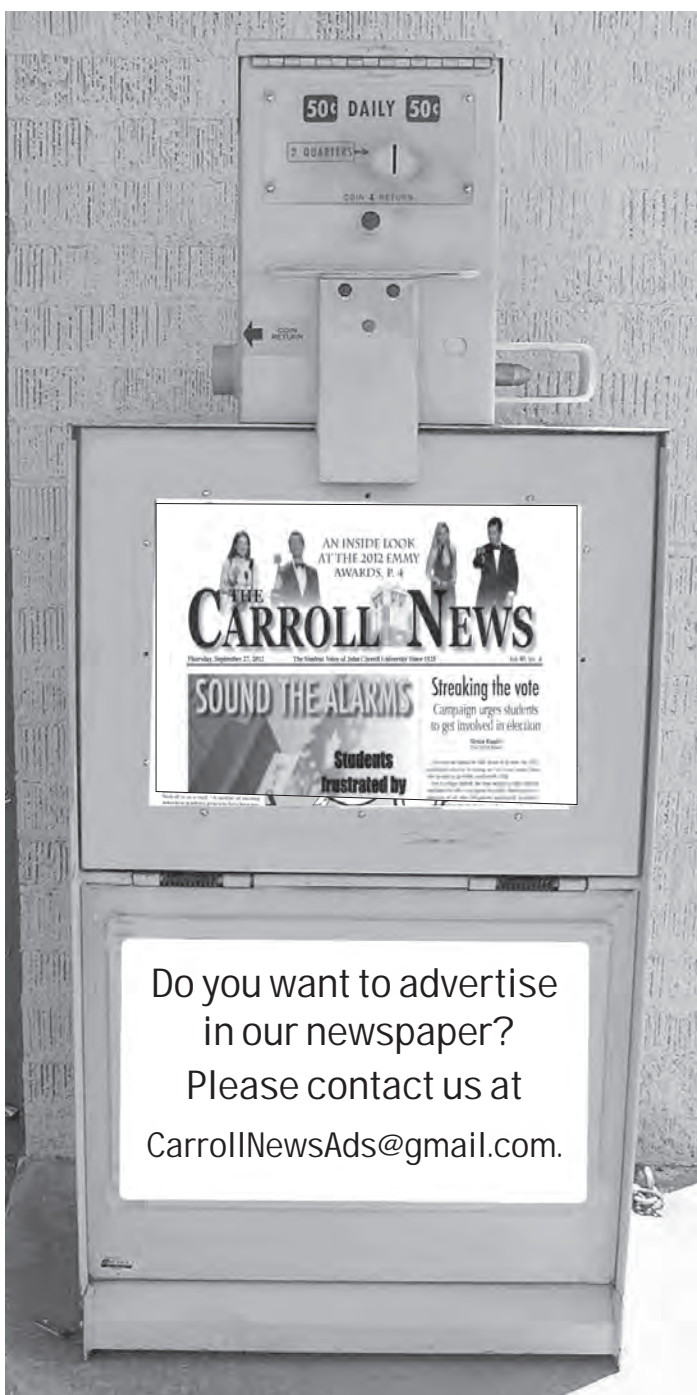
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# Pope Francis offers new world view

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His appointment as the first Latin American pope is equally significant. As a man who has devoted his life to social justice outreach, he served the people of Buenos Aires for years living with and among them and denying many of the luxuries that previous cardinals enjoyed. Senior Jonathan Ruano said, “As a Latino, I am unbelievably joyful for this new pontiff. His name ‘Francis’ gives an air of one who cares for the poor and neglected. We find the poor and neglected in all parts of the world including Latin America. To have a pope come from a geographic region that holds 46 percent of Catholics means that he will be knowledgeable of the needs of the majority of Catholics.”

In taking the name Francis, after St. Francis of Assisi, he draws connections to a saint who was called to rebuild the church in a time of turmoil.

The Washington Post reported that when asked why he chose Francis, he responded that as his selection became more likely, his friend, Cardinal Claudio Hummes, embraced him and said, “Don’t forget the poor.” So the new pope said “he took the name of St. Francis of Assisi to show ‘how I would love a church that is poor and for the poor.’”

“Pope Francis is not a pope who regulates the faith but a pope who practices and facilitates the faith,” said Dunn.

While the new pope has come to be renowned for his humility and commitment to the poor, there are underpinnings of sweeping the church. This change does not



Pope Francis waves to the crowd from the central balcony of St. Peter’s Basilica at the Vatican on March 13. Born Jorge Mario Bergoglio, the Jesuit cardinal is the first pope from South America.

come in the form of doctrine or law, but as Ruano predicts, “What will change is where the church places its emphasis, and that will be social justice.”

Francis has brought an image of simplicity to the papacy never before seen to this extent by his predecessors. According to Dunn, “While his election is celebratory, it’s also a challenge to us. For cardinals, bishops and lay Catholics alike who have lived comfortable lifestyles, we now have a leader who has chosen a simple lifestyle working in communion with the poor,” Dunn said. “It challenges us as to what type of life we are now called to live.”

## 2 The Carroll News sits down with Sheldon Gawiser

Dan Cooney  
Sam Lane  
Katelyn DeBaun  
The Carroll News

Last week on March 14, The Carroll News interviewed Sheldon Gawiser. Gawiser is the director of elections at NBC News. He has worked with NBC since 1975. Before taking his current position, Gawiser taught in the political science department at John Carroll University. One of his most famous students was fellow future NBC coworker Tim Russert. Below is a portion from the interview.

**Dan Cooney:** I guess I’ll start out with how you used to teach at John Carroll. How does it feel to be back? What do you remember? Have things changed?

**Sheldon Gawiser:** It’s a lot bigger. I was just telling a group of students that to me, the greatest thing about teaching at John Carroll was the class size. I think that the most important interaction is between the professor and student on a campus.

When you have huge classes, you can’t really do that right.

**Katelyn DeBaun:** I read a segment of the book “How Barack Obama Won” earlier, and it talked about the timing of potential presidential candidates in regard to their choice of year to run. Looking ahead to 2016, do you see that potential candidates that a lot of politicians are talking about right now like Clinton, Jeb Bush, Marco Rubio, Chris Christie, etc. Are they seeing this as their time to run?

**SG:** Well look, there are a lot of people who think that it is their time. We’ll have to see what actually happens when they get there. Remember “President Howard Dean” who we anointed in the media? If you don’t put your hand up early now, it’s harder to be treated as a serious candidate. Jeb Bush, for example, is giving hints that he wants to run, but he has also said that he is not going to. He might, but this is the process. You’re just seeing more of it than ever before. There are going to be an awful lot of candidates whose names are

going to be raised in the next couple years that are not serious candidates and will never run in 2016 anyway. There will be plenty of names of people who think they are serious candidates for 2016 and end up, when they figure out how much money it is going to cost to do it and how much time you’ll have to spend fund raising, will not run. It’s really hard to know what the field will be in both parties.

**Sam Lane:** I have tried to figure out why Republican leaders can never seem to get at least over 50 percent in an election. When it comes to the polls, for example, in 2016, how much the Hispanic factor plays in?

**SG:** Well those are a couple different questions. The Republicans have a demographic problem in this country. Minority populations are growing faster than white populations.

In fact, we won’t be calling them minorities soon. Newcomers to the political system, if they are favoring one party, help that party. In the current configuration, the growth is in the demographics that favor the Democratic party.

Unless the Republicans can make inroads there, over time it will be more and more difficult for Republicans to get elected to national office, and probably to statewide office in competitive states that have minority populations that are high. The problem with that is that there is a difference between how well Republicans do in this regard to elections.



## 3 North Korea steps up nuclear threats

Abbey Vogel  
Staff Reporter

In the last two weeks, the tension between North Korea and its global enemies has mounted with alarming speed. Following an illegal nuclear test by the country on Feb. 2, the United Nations enforced harsh sanctions, leaving North Korean military personnel embittered. According to BBC World News, one of North Korea's propaganda websites posted statements advising Chinese citizens on southern islands to evacuate immediately in preparation for bombing.

The U.S. responded by strengthening its military missile defenses on the western coast, which incited more threats against the Chinese island of Yeonpyeong, also warning of a preemptive attack on American soil. The United Nations fears that with each step it takes toward diplomacy, North Korea moves toward military confrontation characterized by high civilian death tolls on the exposed southern islands.

North Korea has taken advantage of this tumultuous military climate to launch technology-related allegations at the U. S. According to CNN, on March 12, a major North Korean news station announced that the country was being victimized by enemy forces. They claimed that the United States and other nations hostile to the North Korean cause are launching persistent cyber attacks upon national databases and military computers.

The government stated in a KCNA report that the "United States and its allies" are responsible for the ensuing military response, providing justification for an attack on American soil or the southern islands the U.S. is attempting to shield from invasion. These supposed attacks have birthed a series of statements broadcast on North Korean news networks declaring armistice agreements, reached between North Korea and South Korea, to be null and void. Most alarmingly, the government reneged on their non-aggression pacts with the South, which helped to bring about a cease fire that concluded the Korean War in 1953.

As a result of this alarming threat, the U.S. has taken military, diplomatic and economic steps to inhibit the North Korean movement toward war. According to CNN, America has moved to combine forces with South Korea in preparation for an attack by the North. The U.S. worries that this will result in a negative North Korean response, but acknowledges the importance of a defense system in the face of such blatant, threatening language and anti-American propaganda. America also attempted to initiate discussions with North Korea, using the United Nations as mediator, but the nation refused to cooperate.

Finally, the U.S. imposed sanctions on North Korea's Foreign Trade Bank, justifying the step by pointing out its connection to North Korea's growing nuclear armory. This stifling economic restriction cuts off one of North Korea's most influential financial institutions from American markets. According to CBS News, America has readied the 28,000 soldiers still posted in South Korea to defend its borders, and American soil, from any military movements by the North.

*Information from CBS, BBC and CNN was used in this report.*



North Korean leader Kim Jong Un addressed an assembly in an undated photo released by the North Korean government. North Korean nuclear testing has increased significantly since the 30-year-old Jong Un succeeded his late father.

## 4 Iranian weapons threat remains strong



President Barack Obama addressed American Jewish leaders in the East Room of the White House. He made clear his stance to keep Iran from gaining nuclear weapons along with an affirmation to support Israel.

Silvia Iorio  
Staff Reporter

On March 14, President Barack Obama made a comment on an Israeli television station that he believed it could take Iran about a year to develop a nuclear weapon, according to The New York Times. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu received this message from the president and was promised that if this is an issue to be solved, it would be resolved diplomatically, encouraging a better solution.

Obama has ensured that the U.S. has kept all options open in the event that Iran becomes a threat to its neighbors. Obama made the following comment to CNN before his visit to the country scheduled for this week: "I have been crystal clear about my position on Iran possessing a nuclear weapon. That is a red line for us. It is not only something that would be dangerous for Israel; it would be dangerous for the world."

If Iran wants to avoid a war, Netanyahu has said that Obama needs to establish a clear line that Iran cannot cross with its nuclear program.

Even though evidence has been piling up as to Iran's ability to develop a nuclear weapon, U.S. intelligence officials do not believe that they have really decided to develop one. Iran also denies its aims to build a nuclear bomb. Officials have stated that the nuclear program is strictly for medical and energy use. The goal for Obama is to ensure that Iran's supposed nuclear weapon does not threaten Israel or create an arms race.

In Obama's comments, he mentioned that this is an issue he would like to solve diplomatically, but if not, then "all options are on the table." These options would include military action, according to Joe Biden. According to ABC News, earlier this month the vice president warned Iran with a speech to the pro-Israel lobby, about this military action.

Intelligence officials have made it clear that a nuclear weapon is not being pursued, and Obama also believes that the sanctions both the U.S. and its international partners have imposed are making their marks to most likely cause the Iranian leadership to rethink their intentions.

If Iran really is a year away from developing this nuclear weapon, the U.S. will be committed to doing everything it can to prevent it as forcefully as necessary. Obama's time frame of a year or so for this nuclear weapon to be developed does not match that of Netanyahu, who believes that the coming months present a point of no return in dealing with Iran, according to Business Insider.

*Information from ABC News, CNN, Business Insider and The New York Times was used in this report.*

## Firing Lane



Sam Lane  
World News Editor

### The Irish in America

While St. Patrick's Day comes around every year, it has been 20 years since my first one. Although at the time I did not have a clue what it was, I have since learned just how important my Irish heritage has been to me. I think anyone who shares the same background as me would no doubt agree.

The Irish in America have been a group who are unmatched by any other ethnicity that has set foot in this new world. This is not meant to express any supremacy over another ethnicity, because they have all contributed to the creation of this country. But the fact is that the Irish were very vital to the U.S. energy.

This could be understood by briefly reviewing Irish history. Coming out of Western Europe, the Irish were probably the only nationality that never colonized any other country. In fact, the Irish represented those who were oppressed in the region. British armies who invaded in the 17th century made sure that their neighbors to the west were treated with as much disrespect as the rest of their colonies.

Almost 200 years later, when the Irish were struck down by both famine and oppression, they set sail for America. It would be a choice greeted with hardships and success.

Arriving in both East Coast cities before branching out to the Midwest, the Catholic newcomers from the Emerald Isle were met with mixed reactions. Many of the feelings were harsh. Protestant natives of British descent were strongly against supporting such a group. Signs such as "Irish need not apply" were present in windows. This feeling was so strong that they were the one ethnic group sometimes treated worse than slaves.

But the Irish were not ones to let other peoples' opinions put them down. They began investing in a country they soon hoped would accept them. This ranged from infrastructure, business, education, entertainment and politics. Half a century after the first wave of immigration, Americans realized the Irish were a people whose recognition would shine from sea to sea.

As the 20th century progressed, the Irish became the second-largest ethnic group behind the Germans. Their influence was very visible in many fields. The only gate that was unopened was the presidency.

But by 1960, Irish-American John F. Kennedy overcame this challenge with victory. Although his tenure was relatively short, his influence and accomplishments were some of the highest for a president. Twenty years later, another Irish American, Ronald Reagan (a Protestant but the son of an Irish Catholic father), was also elected president. Reagan also has grown to become warmly regarded as an important leader by many Americans.

These two presidencies demonstrate that even in the nation's toughest job, the Irish have prevailed.

So next time you take a look at something genuinely American, there is a good chance that the Irish had something to do with it. Facts like this make me proud to be an Irish American.

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## Samsung continues to innovate with new phone

**Patrick Burns**  
Staff Reporter

In a world where it seems phones can do almost anything, Samsung has just upped the ante with its latest Galaxy S4 smartphone. In addition to the plethora of amazing features these devices can perform, the S4 offers impressive new abilities. Perhaps what it is most noted for is its screen, which can be controlled with the user’s eyes as well as with hand/finger gestures without actually touching the screen itself. In terms of raw hardware, the S4 also proves to be quite attractive. The device boasts a five-inch screen, thinner body and two 13-megapixel cameras that can both shoot photos and video at the same time.

But the built-in features of the phone are not everything, as stressed by Samsung’s president of mobile communications, J.K. Shin. Shin said he believes that, “Market competition is intensifying further and the smartphone landscape is quite different now from three years ago. It’s important that we are able to deliver to consumers a device that has good hardware and software.” Despite the traction Samsung’s devices have been gaining in the last couple years, critics argue that the software experience is still quite inferior to what Apple provides. In an effort to mimic the iTunes experience that has been a tremendous asset for Apple, Samsung will launch Samsung Hub, which will provide similar services.

Yet, as many would imagine, the S4 isn’t going

to be able to trump all of its competitors for long in the hyper-competitive smartphone market. According to Neil Mawston, executive director at the research firm Strategy Analytics, Samsung will only reap the benefits for a short period of time.

Mawston predicts that Samsung will “maintain its reputation as a smartphone technology leader,” yet “any differentiation on specs or services for the S4 is likely to last only a few months or a year at best before it is benchmarked by rivals.” Since the market has become so saturated, it is no longer possible to just coast off of one great idea; to truly succeed, Samsung will need to stay ahead of the learning-curve and continuously innovate.

Although not implicit knowledge to most Americans or even John Carroll’s community, Samsung is the world leader in smartphone market share. At the end of 2012, Samsung commanded 30.1 percent of the market, a healthy increase from 19.1 percent the year before. Apple took silver, holding 19.1 percent, a modest increase from 18.8 percent. As acknowledged by Samsung’s J.K. Shin,

the company still has work to do in the United States. Apple has a stunning 45 percent of the market, compared to Samsung’s 26.7 percent. Shin is far from content in this position, but remains confident that the S4 will likely outpace the sales of competitors’ smartphones.

Samsung is certainly an intriguing player in the mobile market and several years ago is not a firm that most would predict to eclipse Apple. It will be interesting to see how their fate plays out as Apple was once in a similar position as Samsung. Whether they will be able to continue create products that consumers love is a question only time can answer.

*Information from The Wall Street Journal was used in this report.*



From digitaltrends.com

## Local business accelerator promotes entrepreneurship

**Emilia Ejsmont**  
The Carroll News

What started out as an old Zalud Olds-mobile dealership is now home to nearly 40 portfolio companies.

LaunchHouse is a lean business accelerator that fosters entrepreneurial success and the creation of jobs. Their mission according to their website is to “create a hub of entrepreneurial innovation for promising startups and to help transform ideas into successful companies.”

The LaunchHouse Accelerator program, LHX, helps companies make their ideas a reality. The 10 new tech startups from Cleveland are DuelFM, FitVia, Gtail, Hoofty Match, iOTOS, Widdle, Quick2Launch, Slicked Apples, Tagora and Winners Circle Gaming. These companies provide a range of cutting-edge, broad-based technologies, including smart phone apps, online marketplace and adaptable platforms.

LaunchHouse also wants to target younger children to help them find their

inner entrepreneur. Through the partnership with LightHouse, students from Northeast Ohio will get mentoring and funding to help them build their business ideas. The 14 students who were recognized at “A Night of Recognized Entrepreneurs,” represented seven high schools.

The schools involved in this program are Beachwood High School, Shaker Heights High School, University School, Solon High School, Montessori High School, Chagrin Falls High School and Hawken School.

When asked about his opinion of the program, the CEO and managing partner of LaunchHouse, Todd Goldstein, said in a press release, “Local high schools are just beginning to promote entrepreneurship in their curriculum, however, it is not a well defined area for students to fully know what it means to build a company.

“If Northeast Ohio high school students start a business prior to entering college, chances are much higher for them to come back to the region follow-

ing graduation.” This statement falls in line with LaunchHouse’s mission to help entrepreneurs become successful.

The younger generation is the future of startups, and that is why they need a place that will help them to develop the right business plan. Growth is essential to business, as it is to an economy as a whole.

The economy can only benefit from a younger generation with entrepreneurial minds and ideas that can grow to something larger. Fostering entrepreneurialship in today’s young businessmen and women is vital to this growth.

LaunchHouse is offering students opportunities to become a member. This membership offers a space to work, Wi-Fi and you are also able to interact with not only other members, but with other successful companies. LaunchHouse offers its members the opportunity to network with portfolio companies to get their insight on the startup process.

*Information from launchhouse.com was used in this report.*

## SXSW marketing goes back to the basics

**Christina Minjares**  
The Carroll News

Poster, after poster, after poster. This is exactly what you see when walking up and down the hallways of John Carroll. How effective are the posters? Do they leave a lasting impression?

At the South By Southwest (SXSW) festival that took place last week, companies were restoring to old school marketing strategies and using posters to attract the attention of potential customers. This event is a music, film and trade festival held in Austin, Tex. every year.

SXSW is widely-known for unique marketing trends, innovation and creativity, as well as a glance into up and coming musicians, artists and brands. It was noted that some of the world’s most creative and technologically advanced brands are resorting to using posters, creating a head-to-head competition with other brands.

The posters are seen all over Austin, as the festival takes place at about 100

venues.

MTV promoted the Woodie Awards at SXSW this past week and hired The Syndicate, a guerrilla-marketing agency. Guerrilla marketing is a low-cost, unconventional form of marketing in which flash mobs or graffiti is sometimes used.

The Syndicate’s main goal during SXSW was to re-stock posters several times a day for MTV, a unique approach to creating a lasting impression on the festival-goers. Poster advertising is one of the most traditional advertising mediums. Amongst all tech entrepreneurs that attended SXSW, they said they’re experiencing “the beginning of the end” for digital agencies.

The idea of the need for digital agencies

is decreasing, meaning more brands are resorting to old-school marketing strategies. Such old-school marketings strategies

center around the use of traditional posters. The question that comes to mind with such a strategy would be, how effective is poster advertising at SXSW?

Rebekah Campbell, founder and CEO of Posse, a website that allows users to find the favorite shopping and dining places of their social network friends, was pleased with the results of her company’s poster advertising.

At the end of one day at SXSW, she had 1,500 new sign-ups of about 25,000 people who attended the festival.

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From stereogum.com

## Mortgage-finance companies benefit from market

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Earlier this week, The Wall Street Journal reported that the nation’s two federally chartered and stockholder-owned mortgage-finance companies, known as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, are “likely to show large profits in the coming quarters.” This is implied from the gradual recovery of the housing market, as the prices of homes have risen and mortgage delinquencies have fallen.

Their profitability may now allow the “government-controlled mortgage-finance companies” to repay funds that the U.S. Treasury has injected into the firms in order to keep them solvent when they were seized in 2008 amid the housing market collapse.

Fannie Mae, or the Federal National Mortgage Association, was chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1938 to guarantee mortgages granted to low- or middle-income households. According to investopedia.com, Fannie Mae is able to do this by buying mortgages, repackaging them and selling them as mortgage-backed securities.

Freddie Mac, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, provides the same services as Fannie Mae. It also shares the same “implicit guarantee of federal backing” of these mortgages that Fannie Mae offers. Freddie Mac was established in 1970 to provide competition for Fannie Mae.

In 2008, both of these mortgage-finance companies were placed under federal control in fear that they would go bankrupt and collapse. The financial stability of these government-sponsored enterprises was in question as a result of the mortgage crisis, an overexposure to this market, and what is referred to as the collapse of the housing bubble.

So far, Fannie and Freddie have received nearly \$188 billion from the U.S. Treasury in rescue funds, according to The WSJ. The mortgage-finance companies have paid back \$58 billion of these funds in the form of dividends, as their profits have been retained by the government.

As Fannie Mae’s annual report is coming due, a potential move to repay as much as \$61.5 billion more in rescue funds to the U.S. Treasury has been disclosed in a regulatory filing. The potential payment results largely from an accounting change. The timing of this accounting move is what continues to be debated between Fannie and its accountants, according to The WSJ.

If Fannie Mae concludes it is likely to have taxable income, they may be able to reverse some of the \$61.5 billion in losses they have recorded amid their “federal conservatorship,” according to The WSJ. The WSJ reports that Fannie reported “\$9.6 billion in net income for the first three quarters of 2012,” compared with “losses of \$14.5 billion for the same period in the previous quarter.”

Mark Calabria, director of financial regulation studies at the Cato Institute, stated in an interview with The WSJ, “While not truly representing a marketable asset, Fannie is likely to present its tax losses as a financial gain and use it as proof that they have turned a corner and should be allowed to continue as a company in their current state.”

The views on the potential (and surprising) repayment of most of the rescue funds to the U.S. Treasury by Fannie and Freddie differ in regard to economic and political implications. Critics are worried that such a large payment to the U.S. Treasury would exaggerate the financial health of the firms and could remove the incentive to replace or wind down the firms. Regardless, any profits by the firms will be swept away as dividend payments on preferred shares owned by the government.

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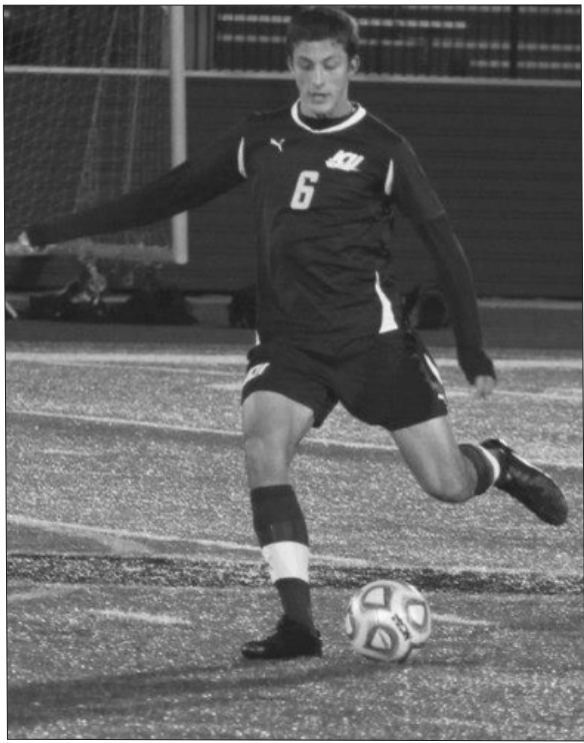


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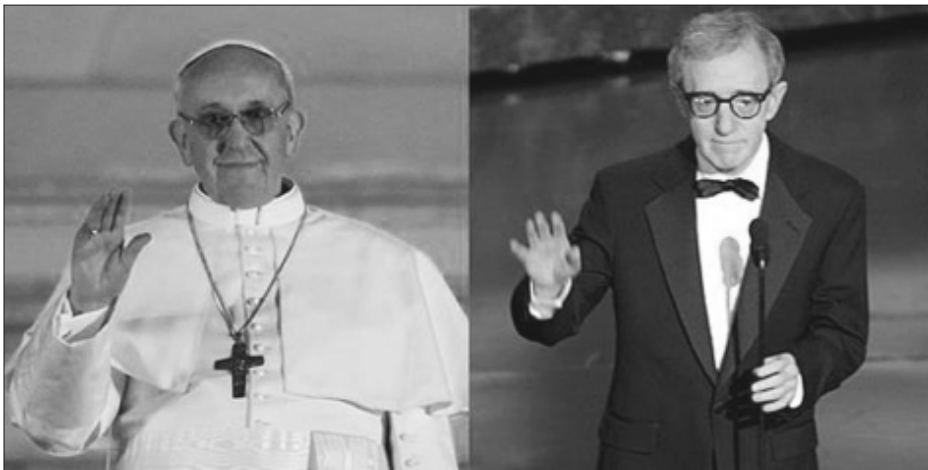
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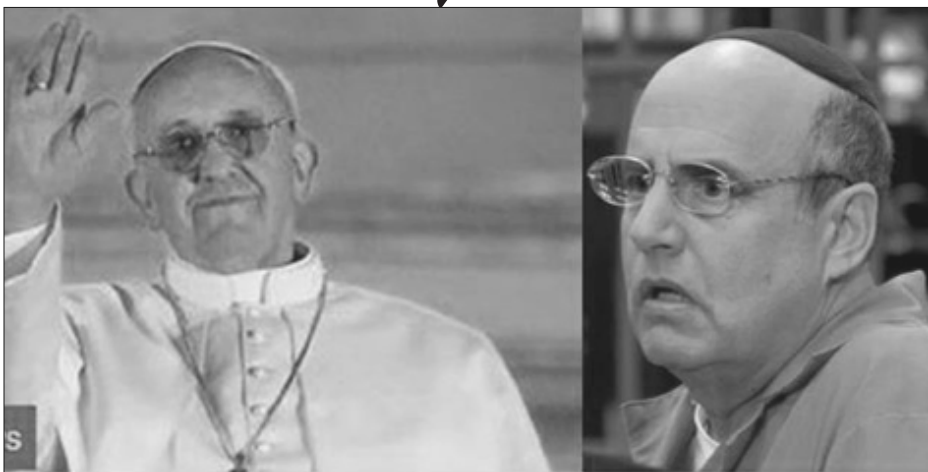
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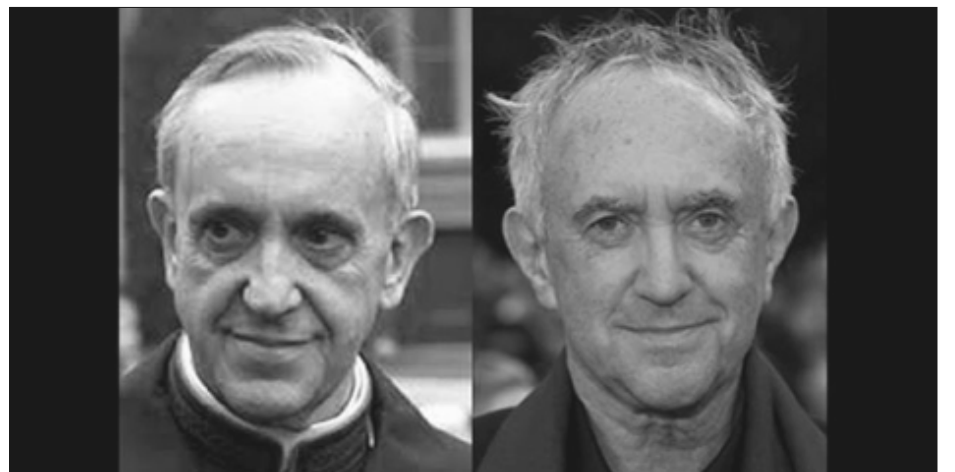
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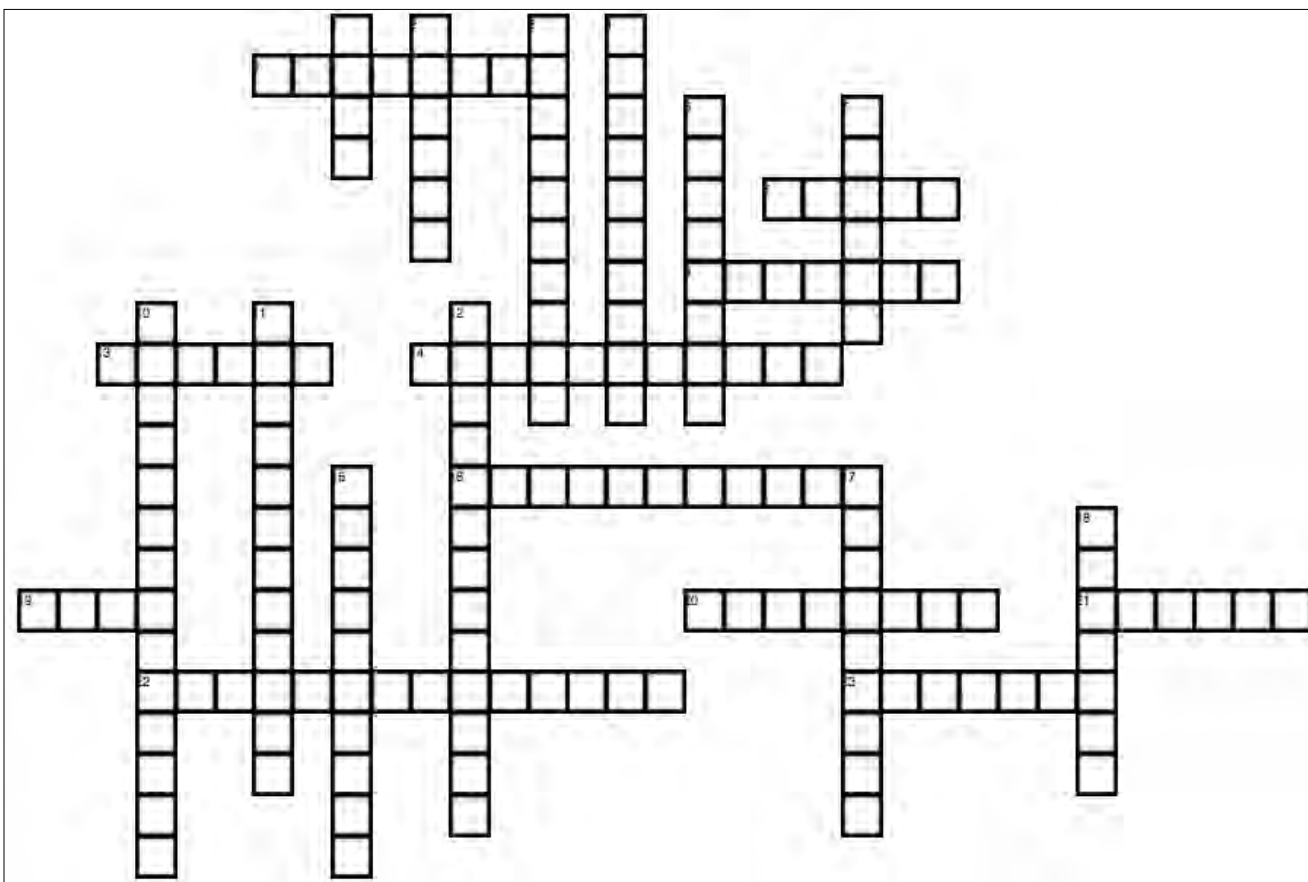


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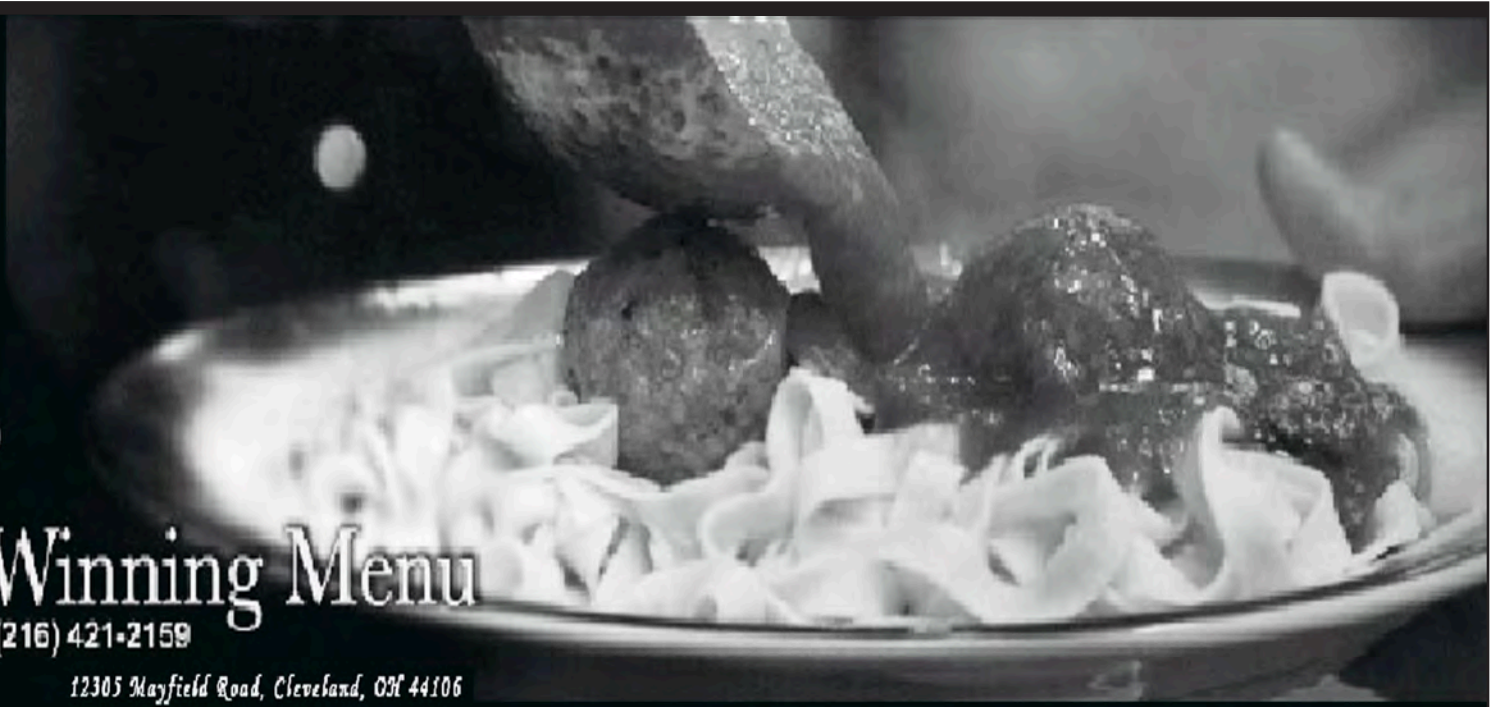
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## Editorial

### Habemus papam

Last Wednesday, the conclave of cardinals made a swift decision regarding a replacement for Pope Benedict XVI, choosing Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio. Bergoglio is the first Jesuit and first South American to be elected pope.

The newly elected pontiff chose the name Pope Francis, in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi and his devotion to the poor. Pope Francis has a track record of living simply, denying many of the extravagances that came with his position as Archbishop of Buenos Aires and now, the papacy. These things show his devotion to the poor and less fortunate. Combined with his commitment to the Jesuit mission, it is likely that the Church will place greater emphasis on social justice in the coming years.

Church leaders are often viewed on a lofty pedestal, distanced from the most impoverished Catholics. With the refreshing focus of Pope Francis, Catholics of all backgrounds all over the world can feel a closer link to the Church leaders and bigger part of the Church body.

Some were surprised at Pope Francis' age of 76, expecting that a younger cardinal would be elected to the position. It is yet to be seen how Pope Francis will connect with the youth. This is a very important issue since the youth will shape the future of the Church.

Although it is important for the pope to adhere to the Church's stance on controversial issues, it is also imperative that the Church adapts to increasingly important topics in this day and age. Pope Francis must find a way to engage all Catholics, especially the youth, so as to unify all Church members and embrace changing times. Church authorities should hold discussion forums to educate people more precisely on the Church's position on various topics and clarify the reasoning behind some Church doctrine.

## Editorial

### The core of our being

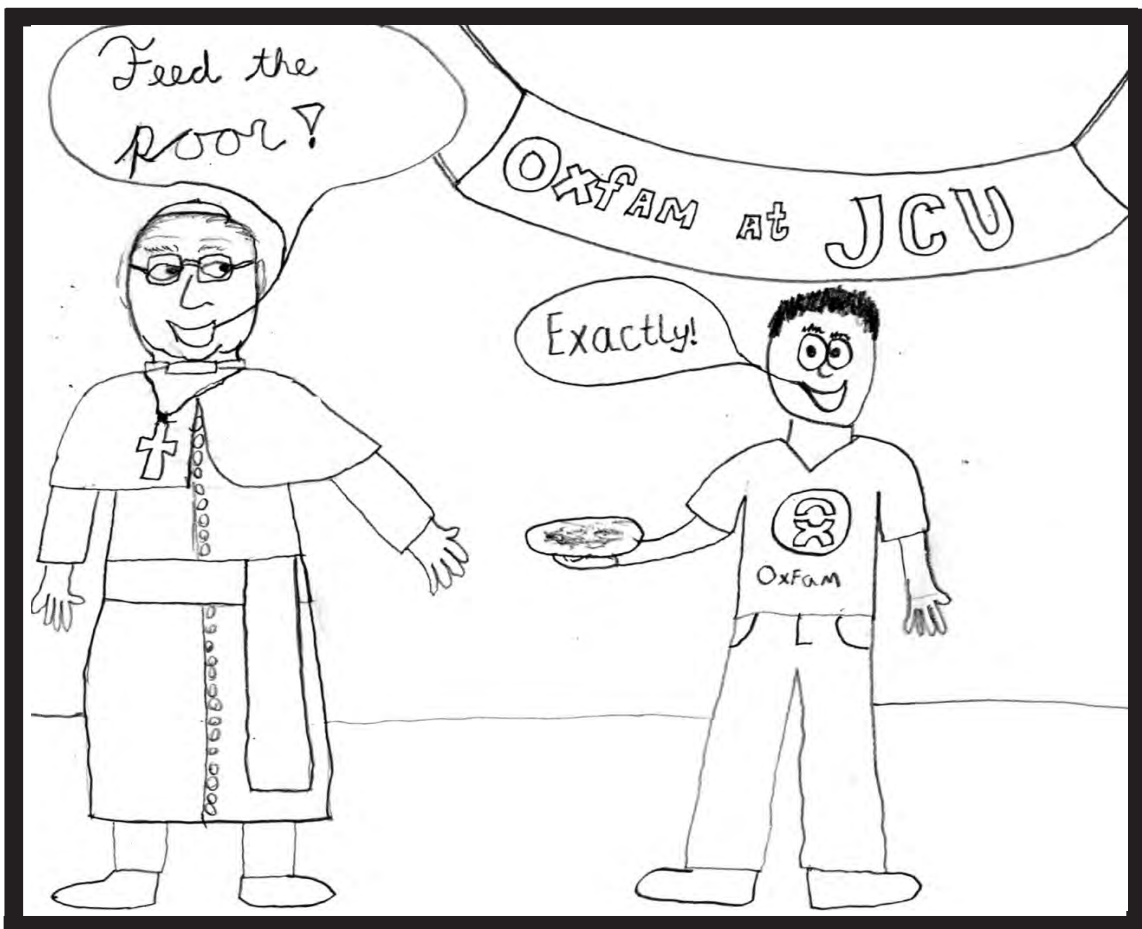
An open forum held last week prompted faculty members to discuss several potential changes to the core curriculum. The proposed revisions include reducing the number of credit hours required to graduate, eliminating First Year Seminar, reducing the number of required philosophy courses and introducing linked courses.

These proposals were prompted by a survey of the student body that indicated an overwhelming desire for curriculum changes. The addition of linked courses was suggested to allow faculty members to teach more in their areas of expertise. Although these changes are still mostly hypothetical, the director of the core curriculum is optimistic about the proposal being accepted.

Reducing the required number of core credits will definitely benefit the student body by allowing them to take more courses specific to their majors. Core requirements cause students to divert their time and energy to burdensome classes and away from their major, which are more important to them personally. Subjects like philosophy are definitely important to the development of the mind, but for students majoring in completely unrelated fields, requiring three courses is unnecessary and potentially detrimental.

The linked courses would also be beneficial to both students and faculty by illustrating how one topic intersects with many fields of study. However, linked courses should not be counted as two separate three-credit courses. Instead, each course should be counted as two credits, so that each segment will total four credits earned.

Changes have not yet been finalized; they will need to go through a voting process by the faculty and administration before being officially adopted. The date of completion for these changes is still unknown, as some aspects require further discussion. However, it is projected that the faculty will reach a decision soon.



Cartoon by Nicholas Sciarappa

## NOTABLE QUOTABLE

“Right away, with regard to the poor, I thought of St. Francis of Assisi, then I thought of war. Francis loved peace, and that is how the name came to me.”

— Pope Francis, in a press conference after his inaugural Angelus address Sunday

## HIT & miss

**Hit:** Pope Francis representing the Jesuits **miss:** 29 people were arrested on St. Patrick's Day in downtown Cleveland **Hit/miss:** Spring is coming, and so is hay fever **Hit:** March Madness is starting **miss:** Lil Wayne was hospitalized after having a seizure; medics found a large amount of codeine in his system and pumped his stomach three times **Hit:** Scientists appear to have found a treatment that could put HIV patients in early stages into long-term remission **miss:** Three more Carnival cruise ships in the past week have experienced serious malfunctions **Hit/miss:** The assault weapon ban has been dropped from the Senate gun bill **miss:** Soda has been linked to over 180,000 deaths worldwide **miss:** Lindsay Lohan **Hit:** The U.S. Open (tennis) is adding \$4.1 million more in prize money **miss:** Recent studies predict that the frequency of extreme storm surges comparable to Hurricane Katrina will increase by 10 times in the next decade

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## OURVIEW

## Life and its unexpected ways



**Zach Mentz**  
Sports Editor

Growing up, every kid aspires to be something great. Everyone knows the typical desires – some of us want to be firemen, some of us doctors, some of us astronauts. When I was a kid, I wanted nothing more than to be a professional baseball player. I had dreams at night of playing center field for the New York Yankees, winning numerous World Series titles and popping numerous champagne bottles along the way. After all, who wouldn't want to live that life?

Eventually, as time went on and I grew older, injuries and, well, physical limitations kind of put a damper on that dream. I loved baseball then, and I still do now; but maybe becoming an MLB player just wasn't in the cards for me.

So as a 15-year-old kid entering my sophomore year of high school, I realized by this point that I probably wouldn't be going pro in baseball in a few years.

Before my sophomore year began, my mother recommended that I sign up for a journalism class as an elective course. Why? I'm not really sure, to be honest. For some reason, my mother

thought I would make a good writer, and I said, "What the hell, why not?"

I remember my first day in that journalism class as just a 15-year-old kid, clueless of what the word "journalism" even really meant. I mostly remember being so lost when my teacher told me to cover my first story. I was apprehensive at first, wondering if signing up for this elective class was really a good decision after all, but I stayed patient and open-minded.

Fast forward a couple of years, and here I am as a junior in college, writing this column, reflecting on those days of when I was unsure of what this whole "journalism" thing was all about. I reflect on these days because one week ago today, on March 14, I was fortunate enough to be elected as the next editor in chief of The Carroll News after spending the last two-plus years as Sports editor. Quite frankly, I couldn't be more thankful and appreciative of the opportunity.

Consider this: Five years ago, I had no idea what it meant to "cover a story." Last night on Wednesday, March 20, I covered the Miami Heat at Cleveland Cavaliers game as a credentialed NBA media member – my fifth time doing so. I don't bring this up as an attempt to brag, but rather to compare and contrast how much can change over the course of just a few years. Crazy how things change over time, isn't it?

Buried away somewhere in a computer desk drawer at my house in Rochester, N.Y. is the very first article I ever wrote, at the age of 15. After my final baseball game in the summer of 2007, I wrote a "game recap" (that's a generous way to put it) about how my team won the postseason championship. To be blunt, the article was horribly written. I didn't have much of an idea or direction as to how to actually write an article, and for understandable reasons. Sometimes though, I'll re-read that article and think about what a difference that time makes.

If I was never open to the idea of signing up for that journalism class all those years ago, I can honestly say I don't know where I'd be today or what I'd be doing. For much of the past three years, journalism and writing for The Carroll News has been my main focus. It's what I want to do after college, and I've known that for quite some time now. And to think how different that could all be if I decided against taking that journalism class as a high school sophomore.

Moral of the story: Open yourself to new ideas, opportunities and experiences. After all, you never really know what life has in store for you, do you?

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## Cooney Meets World: Causeworthy cut



**Dan Cooney**  
Editor in Chief

Mary Beth Brooks always knows how to brighten someone's day.

I pass by the Institute of Catholic Studies nearly every day on my way to class and give her a friendly wave through the windows of the office. But, when I walked by Monday, something didn't seem right.

What happened to Mary Beth's hair?

Not to worry, she told me when I walked in and asked if everything was okay. Little did I know the whole story behind the buzzcut.

Brooks' grandson, 7-year-old Shane Haddad, has suffered from a cancerous brain tumor for the past three years. He underwent multiple major surgeries and nearly lost his battle before a doctor stepped forward with an option for radiation.

Brooks said the results from the radiation treatment showed that Shane's tumor isn't growing anymore, but he continues to fight his courageous battle with the help of family, friends, classmates, teachers and others in the community.

Shane's parents, Eric and Amy (a 1998 graduate of John Carroll University), and others formed a team through the St. Baldrick's Foundation. The foundation, which raises money for child cancer research, is famous for its head-shaving events.

At first, Brooks said she wasn't so keen on getting shorn. "I really did have a hard time with it," she said. But she later decided it was worth it.

Months ago, when she first told Shane she was going to participate in the head-shaving, "he belly laughed," Brooks said. If I can make him do that, it was completely worth it, she said.

Those that participate in the head shaving show their solidarity with patients fighting childhood cancer, which – according to statistics from the foundation – is diagnosed every three minutes worldwide.

Brooks was one of six people to get her head shaved, the only grandma of the bunch, on Sunday.

"I did get him to laugh a couple times that day," she recalled. "He said, 'You're looking good.'"

Brooks told me their team, the "Westhaven Warriors," raised approximately \$155,000 at the event, which puts them \$20,000 short of their team goal. In my mind, that's impressive.

Many of my friends on Facebook have shared the YouTube video of Mary Beth losing her hair. Right next to her is Shane, holding her hand.

"He's really very grateful all the time," Brooks said. "He always says thank you ... [Shane is a] very sweet boy."

Brooks said she highly encourages organizations, such as fraternities and sororities, to get involved with the St. Baldrick's Foundation. She said JCU would be a "prime place" to host events for the foundation.

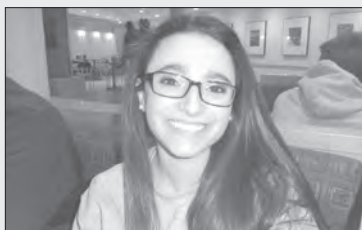
Shaving one's head is quite a sacrifice. I think I would have trouble making a commitment to shave my head. But, I admire those that step forward to show solidarity with children battling cancer.

If you stop by the Institute of Catholic Studies, you'll see Mary Beth wearing a pin with a picture of her grandson with the words, "I shaved for my hero!" In the pin, Shane is wearing a Superman costume and flashing a big grin across his face.

Seeing Mary Beth sacrifice like this for her grandson is enough to make you smile.

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## Wonderword: What does muliebrity mean?



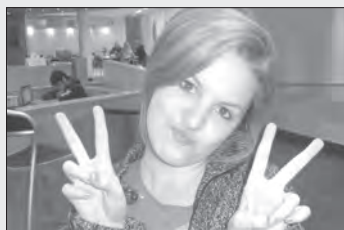
"Mauling a celebrity."

**Noelle Isabella,**  
freshman



"A mule kicking in Britain."

**Mary Fischer and**  
**McKenzae Bartels,**  
juniors



"A mule with a little bit of sass."

**Maddie Baggett,**  
sophomore

**Muliebrity:** The characteristics or qualities of a woman; womanliness

## The Bayer Necessities:



**Brian Bayer**  
Managing Editor

Do you know why it's a good time to grow a beard? Not because it's "Mustache March;" not because it's cold out and we need to keep warm; for one simple reason: We are men, and we can.

Let me tell you something – I love being a guy. It's awesome. And as much as I think I would rock yoga pants and Uggs, I am happy God gave me the Y chromosome.

So, as a man, I'd like to talk a little bit about masculinity. I have spoken briefly on the themes of femininity in a previous column, but it was brought to my attention that it wasn't exactly Betty Friedan's "The Feminine Mystique."

This time, I think I'll stick to something I can discuss with a bit more authority – being one of the dudes. In the interest of being objective, I must admit, there are pros and cons, and I'll

do my best to cover the bases.

Let's start with meat. One of the best things about being a man is being able to enjoy a good steak cooked medium. Or venison. Or elk. Of course, enjoying a good slab of ribs isn't exclusive to men. But I certainly don't mind the stereotype.

Of course, there's vegetarianism too. It's not my personal choice, but I'm sure there are manly vegetarians out there. Maybe they're even manlier because they don't need a carnivorous diet to be the epitome of machismo. I don't know.

Some crude and insensitive people might be thinking, "You're totally wrong, vegetarians are so gay," to which I say, gay guys are definitely manly. Heck, they love masculinity so much that it's what they look for in a companion. And I dig that. Again, not my personal fandango, but I still respect that as an awesome addition to our "man-ily" (man family).

Another thing that I take joy in is the efficiency with which we men can go to the bathroom. Not only can we do our business efficiently, but it can

even be fun. For you ladies who don't really understand, have you ever played that amusement park game where you fire the water pistol onto the target and try to get your player to the top? That's the old-fashioned entertainment that we get to enjoy every time we go to the bathroom.

Then there's babies. I love babies. The whole majesty of childbirth truly is a miracle. And women have such strength when it comes to carrying a child for nine long months; I could never even imagine that. Then again, I never have to – because I'm a man.

(If my future wife – or baby mama – is reading this, then don't worry, honey, I'll be there for you every step of the way.)

Yes, these are all the majesties of masculinity. But there are, of course, disadvantages too. Our main flaw is simplicity of thought. The male mind is notoriously simple. There are some men who claim a higher degree of complexity; these men lie.

A great demonstration of this simplicity is when a coed couple gets into a fight.

## Men, Part one

I once heard a male comedian keenly observe that women cheat the rules when they fight with their men, because they do something that men simply can't do – they use their brains.

A sad truth, but a truth nonetheless. Men, no matter how much we plan our arguments ahead of time, we must acknowledge that women will always win. They are just smarter.

Sure, we claim gender to some of the greatest minds in history – Aristotle, Einstein, Hawking – but I imagine even these brilliant thinkers would admit that the women in their lives were the frequent argumentative victors.

Don't believe me? Picture this: It's a warm day in ancient Greece, and Aristotle has just formulated the basis of modern argumentation. He gets home that night in the mood to relax with some nice baklava and beer. That's when his wife comes in and furiously says to him, "Do you remember what today is?" Strike one, Aristotle.

Aristotle realizes his mistake. Quickly drawing upon the day's work, he formulates an appeal to logic – She's mad; I don't actually remember

what day it is; I have to come up with something quick or else I'm in trouble; therefore, it must be our anniversary. By all accounts weak premises, but let's not forget that Aristotle is man, and therefore simple. "Great Pillars of Parthenon, I forgot our anniversary!" he thinks. Strike two, Aristotle.

"By the beard of Zeus, of course I know what day it is," he lies. "Happy anniversary, dear."

"It's my birthday," she says. Strike three, Aristotle; you're out. He never stood a chance in Hades. His mistake wasn't so much in forgetting the day – a woman's capacity to forgive is wonderful; no, his mistake was thinking he could win with a lie. Albeit, a common mistake among men, it guarantees a loss.

My father, being the good mentor he is, gave me these wise words: "Son, you are a man – you can be right, or you can be happy."

I don't always choose wisely. But at the end of the day, at least I can pee standing up.

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## The Op/Ed Top Ten: JCU candidates for pope

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| 4. Jillian Dunn       | 9. Michael Younes               |
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—Compiled by Grace Kaucic

## Nick's Knack: Frogs



**Nick Wojtasik**

Asst. Editorial & Op/Ed Editor

This column is about frogs.

One might think a zoological topic is atypical of Nick's Knack. On the contrary, many of my writings have been on the human animal and the "zooification" of our species. Failure to recognize this reinforces many of the points I have made over the past two years. But, if I am writing about frogs, then how could I possibly be doing the reptilian topic justice or coincide their amphibious existence with ours in my typical fashion? I'll tell you right now, there is much we have to learn from all varieties of these guys, and it begins with their most innately identified characteristic: the jump.

When a frog jumps, I'm guessing that it does not view that act as separate from itself. It simply jumps. For the frog it is a reflex, a way of getting from point A to point B. That's just what it does. Each hop has a purpose. There is a reason that frog hops which it finds necessary for its fulfillment. The hop isn't so much an action as a reaction to all the stimuli of life, and frogs do so because they must to survive.

As years go by in a person's life, it has become customary to gradually acquire more responsibilities to be carried out for the fulfillment of some task deemed necessary for a sufficient or higher quality of living. Since entering high school, then to college, and soon to the vast "real world," this acquisition has become more commonplace. Gaining more responsibility is a way of showing how well we lived and how much we've accomplished, distinguishing us from the rest of the pack. Like the frog's jumping, gaining a heavier plate of responsibility appears to be innate; it is a reflex to the demands of the world.

As much as we might think our pursuits are stimulated by survival, often we fail to realize how much of our innate needs we've renounced. These needs become distinct from our being, embellishments which we are quick to toss away. We are frogs who have begun to think about jumping, viewing it as separate

from what we need to survive.

As kids, we ran and jumped and played all day long. It's just what we did. Only after rules or guidelines were imposed by our parents did we view it as something separate from ourselves. We renounced our instinct to play to make time for this thing called work, thinking of the two as separate actions and devoting a large amount of time and energy toward the consideration of what work we should do, the benefits, the consequences and so forth. Our childhood occupational dreams were not determined by how much money we wanted to make but by who we wanted to be. Ourselves, our work and our play were all one in the same.

Undoubtedly, the world in which we live has much due consideration. We wouldn't want to negatively affect those around us or ourselves, so the reasoning process is useful. But, this process has produced a lot of personal turmoil.

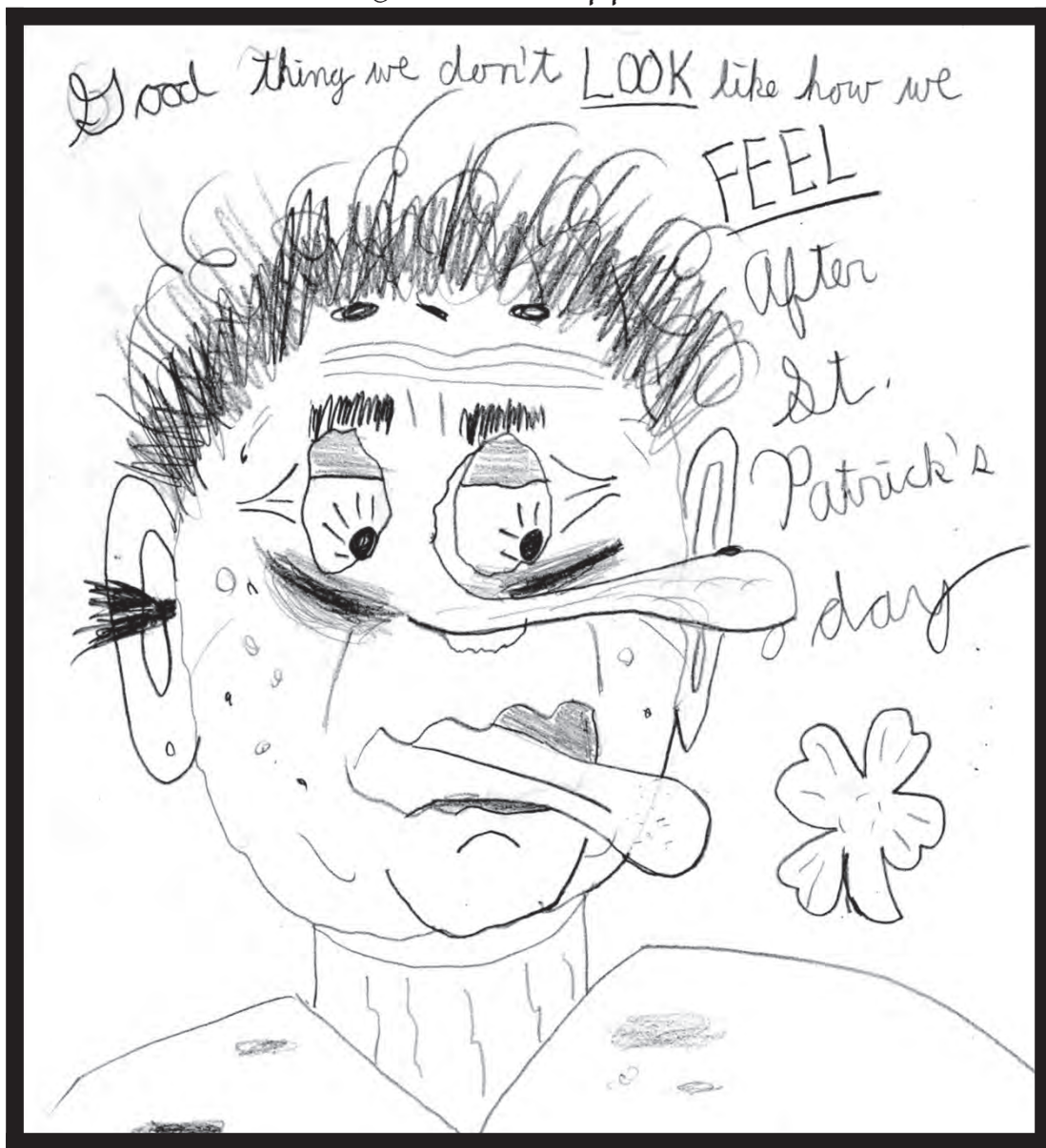
When was the last time you lost yourself in an action, not viewing it as something separate from your being, but just you being you? When did you react to life, without need for consideration because the action was so deeply ingrained in your existence that it tapped into the most foundational aspects of life that there could be no possible negative consequences? Chances are, it has been a while. If you ask any true master of their trade who is fully satisfied with the things they do, chances are he or she views that action as part of his or her being. When one is released to the mercy of reflex, thoughts, creativity and energy flow, bringing the pinnacle of performance. Any athlete who has done something great has succumbed to the direct purpose of that action. This is the "zone" of focus about which we so often hear.

The frog is not apprehensive to jump because it might hurt itself or because performing the hop will come back with negative consequences in the future. Jumping is innocent because it is necessary. This truth extends to all actions of all beings. It is when we resign ourselves to the necessities of our being, viewing it as united, that everything is to be gained and nothing to be lost.

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## The Morning After

By Nick Sciarappa



## Alumni Corner

Written by Dennis Casey '87, Carroll News Alumnus

We alumni have greatly enjoyed the tremendous, unparalleled success the Blue Streak men's basketball team has provided under Coach Mike Moran. The OAC championships and trips to the NCAA playoffs, including the third place finish in NCAA Division III in 2004, have all been watched with pride by JCU alumni.

What today's current students and those faculty, staff and administrators who were not at JCU in the mid 80s may not know is that the men's Blue Streak basketball program was one of the greatest shows around under Coach Tim Baab. When I arrived on campus as a freshman from Chicago in the fall of 1983, I signed up to write for The Carroll News. After covering the very successful soccer team (there was only a men's soccer team back then) coached by Tim Baab, I was selected to cover the men's basketball team. I quickly learned what a choice beat I had earned. The men's team had just come off its first NCAA Division III playoff appearance and was the defending champ of

the Presidents' Athletic Conference (JCU's conference prior to rejoining the OAC in 1989). What was even better is that Coach Baab was also the men's head basketball coach.

As good as the men's basketball team was (they lost the PAC crown in the regular season finale to Hiram College), the most amazing part was the entertainment and total spectacle of JCU home games. On Tuesday and Saturday evenings, Carroll Gym (it was not yet christened the DeCarlo Varsity Center) was packed and was the place to be. All 2,448 seats (all bleachers, no Eisele Room, no grand staircase to the main floor) were typically full, mostly by students, faculty and staff. Music boomed from an on-court DJ before the game. Warm ups were a choreographed show unto themselves. Synchronized ball tricks, rolling floor passes, RayBans on the players and slick layup and dribbling drills put the visiting teams on edge from the start. Students came with newspaper sections to "read" during the opposing

team's introductions (long before that was commonly seen), chants from start to finish and other theatrics (one Saturday half time show had a full live rendition of Michael Jackson's Thriller video – all done by students) were the norm every home game. Visiting media dubbed games at JCU akin to those at NCAA Division I powerhouses Kentucky, Duke and Georgetown. Even the game announcer was premier – the late Howie Chizek, then the stadium announcer for Cavs home games – announced every game his Cavs schedule allowed. The Cavs themselves even held a preseason game against the Atlanta Hawks in October 1983 at Carroll Gym.

One of the best things about JCU is that it does not stand pat – it is always improving. Today's teams are a testament to that. But for those of us fortunate enough to be at JCU in the mid-80s, watching Coach Baab, his players and the crowds work their magic every home game made for some of the best fun and memories of JCU.

Go Streaks!

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